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1	(The witness was duly sworn.)	1	think it was like a response to a motion of yours.
2	GREG HAMILTON,	2	Q. So, the Relators' Opposition to our Motion
3	called as a witness herein, having been first duly	3	to Dismiss, you think that's what it was?
4	sworn, was examined and testified as follows:	4	A. I think that's what it was.
5	EXAMINATION	5	Q. Okay. Any other documents you reviewed in
6	BY MR. JACKSON:	6	preparation for your deposition?
7	Q. Mr. Hamilton, my name is Andy Jackson. To	7	A. Not that I recall.
8	my left is Ruchi Jain. We represent Baxter in this	8	Q. Did you speak with Miss Sun?
9	case.	9	A. No, I did not.
10	(Deposition Exhibit Number 1 was	10	Q. Sir, have you been deposed before?
11	marked for identification.)	11	A. Yes, I have.
12	(Document tendered to the	12	Q. How many times?
13	· ·	13	A. I believe three.
	witness.) BY MR. JACKSON:	14	
14			Q. Can you briefly describe each of those
15	Q. Let me show you what's been marked as	15	depositions, what case it was and what the subject
16	Deposition Exhibit 1. Deposition Exhibit 1 is a	16	matter of the deposition was?
17	Notice of Deposition regarding you and this matter.	17	A. Okay. One was a civil fraud case involving
18	Have you seen that document before?	18	Vioxx.
19	A. I believe so.	19	The second was the Kentucky AWP case.
20	Q. You're appearing today pursuant to that	20	And the third was I believe it's a civil
21	Deposition Notice?	21	case on product liability involving a hepatitis C
22	A. Yes.	22	outbreak in Las Vegas.
23	Q. Mr. Hamilton, I'm going to be asking a	23	Q. When was the deposition regarding the Vioxx
24	series of questions today. I need you to answer	24	matter?
25	aloud, no shaking head up or down or left to right so	25	A. About a year and a half ago.
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1	we can make sure we get a full record. Is that okay		Q. What was your role in that case?
2	with you?	2	A. I was an expert witness.
3	A. Yes.	3	Q. For whom?
4	Q. And I presume you're not on any medication	4	A. For the plaintiff.
5	or under any other kinds of drugs that would impair	5	Q. Who was the plaintiff?
6	your ability to understand my questions or your	6	A. Henry Chapin or Channon. Sorry.
7	ability to testify today.	7	Q. And did your testimony in that case concern
8	MR. KLEIMAN: There's no question pending.	8	AWP in any way; that is, average wholesale price?
9	BY MR. JACKSON:	9	A. No, it did not.
10	Q. You can answer the question.	10	Q. How about average manufacturer price?
11	A. I understand. I was waiting if you'd	11	A. No, it did not.
12	like me to affirm your statement, yes, you're correct.	12	Q. Best price?
13	Q. That's fine. And you understand that there	13	A. No, it did not.
14	may be times today when your counsel objects to my	14	Q. And what was the gravamen? What was the
15	question. Unless you're instructed by your counsel to	15	principal matter at issue in the Vioxx case?
16	answer, you go ahead and answer the question.	16	A. I'm not sure are you talking about the
17	Do you understand that?	17	principal matter for the plaintiffs, his lawyers or my
18	A. Yes, I do.	18	role as the expert witness?
19	Q. Mr. Hamilton, did you review any documents	19	Q. The plaintiff in the first instance.
20	in preparation for your deposition?	20	A. The plaintiff had damages as a result of
21	A. Yes, I did.	21	being infected with hepatitis C from at least they
22	Q. What documents did you review?	22	were alleging that at this particular center.
23	A. I reviewed a rough version of Linnette	23	Q. And what was your role as the expert in
24	Sun's recent deposition. I reviewed my Declaration.	24	that case?
25	And I quickly scanned our counsel's response to I	25	A. My role was to describe and discuss the
25	rina i quiemy seamica our counsers response to	1	

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11 1 1 methods and operations of pharmaceutical marketing. So, those are the only three cases you've 2 Q. And in the Kentucky AWP matter, I believe 2 testified in; Vioxx, Kentucky AWP and the hepatitis C 3 you testified that your role there was as an expert? 3 case? 4 4 A. When you say "testified," if you're 5 5 Q. What topic areas were you identified as a referring to in court, I've already answered that I 6 6 potential expert for? have not testified in court. 7 7 A. I'd have to go back and get -- if you want Q. In deposition. 8 8 exact details, but in general --A. In deposition, yes. 9 9 Q. All right. Are there any other court Q. In general. 10 10 matters that you have been retained as a testimonial A. In general it was pharmaceutical marketing, 11 pricing and specifically AWP. 11 or consulting expert? MR. KLEIMAN: Objection. Compound. 12 Q. And when we use the phrase or the word 12 13 "AWP" or the letters "AWP," we'll understand it to 13 BY MR. JACKSON: 14 mean average wholesale price? 14 Q. You can answer the question. 15 15 A. That is correct. A. Okay. But let me break it down. You want 16 And who were your retained by in that 16 to know if there are any other cases ever in my entire 17 17 career that I've been retained in the capacity either matter? 18 18 A. Chuck Barnhill. as an expert witness or as a consultant? 19 19 Q. You were an expert for the plaintiffs in O. Yes. 20 that case? 20 MR. KLEIMAN: To the extent to which Mr. Hamilton 21 21 has been retained as an expert on cases that are under A. That's correct. 22 Q. And was that a qui tam case, a False Claims 22 seal, I'm going to instruct him not to answer. As to 23 23 all other matters he can. Act case? 24 24 BY THE WITNESS: A. No, I don't believe it was. It was the 25 State of Kentucky versus several defendants. 25 A. In light of counsel's objection, much of my 10 1 Q. And then the civil case, the product 1 work is in qui tam work. And some of my cases I know 2 liability matter regarding hepatitis C, what was your 2 for certain are under federal seal. These things come 3 role in that case? 3 in and out from under seal, so I just don't know if 4 4 some of them are still under seal or not under seal. A. My role was as a -- an expert in 5 5 pharmaceutical marketing. So, I think I'd have to err on the side of caution and 6 Q. Did that case have anything to do with AWP, 6 just say I can't give you that list. 7 7 BY MR. JACKSON: AMP or BP? 8 8 Q. In how many cases total have you been A. No, it did not. 9 9 Q. Have you ever testified at trial before? retained? 10 10 A. I don't have an exact number, but if you'd A. No, I have not. 11 Q. Have you ever been accepted by a Court as 11 like -- would you like a range, an estimate? 12 O. That would be fine. 12 an expert witness? 13 13 A. How about somewhere between 10 and 25? A. I'm not sure. 14 14 Q. Have you ever testified during a trial? Q. And you can't tell me which of those 10 to 15 15 A. No, I have not. 25 cases are presently under seal or not? 16 Q. Mr. Hamilton, were you aware that today's 16 A. Not at this moment. 17 17 deposition is limited to matters related to Q. How many of those 10 to 25 cases relate to 18 the pharmaceutical industry? 18 jurisdictional issues, and that if the Motion to 19 Dismiss is denied in this case, there will be a 19 A. All of them. 20 20 Q. How many of those cases are False Claims subsequent time when we will depose you regarding 21 Act cases, whether federal False Claims Act or state 21 substantive matters? Were you aware of that? 22 22 False Claims Act? A. I am aware to the extent that I understand 23 the legal jargon. 23 A. Off the top of my head, and this is an 24 24 Q. Okay. That's fine. Have you ever been -estimate, to the best of my recollection all but the 25 25

I'm sorry.

three that we discussed that I've given depositions

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13 15 **BY THE WITNESS:** 1 1 for. 2 2 A. It was in the case of Steinke versus Merck. (Mr. Michael Bolton entered 3 the deposition proceedings.) 3 BY MR. JACKSON: 4 BY MR. JACKSON: 4 Q. How much were you paid as a consultant or 5 O. So, all are False Claims Act cases of 5 expert in the Steinke case by Mr. Kleiman? 6 6 A. Well, first of all, I don't know if it was similar ilk? 7 7 just -- it wasn't just by Mr. Kleiman. I was retained A. Except for the --8 8 Q. The first three you mentioned; the Vioxx, by Mr. Kleiman and Steve Cohen and BethAnne Yeager as 9 9 the AWP and the civil matter? a group. Actually, I think -- I don't remember which 10 10 group issued the checks. But if you'd like a total of A. Correct. 11 MR. KLEIMAN: Excuse me, Mr. Jackson. Can you 11 how much I made from the entire case? identify who it is that has entered the room and is 12 O. Yes, sir. 12 13 13 sitting at the table? A. About 115, 120 thousand dollars. 14 MR. JACKSON: Sure. All the way at the end of 14 Q. And what period of time did your retention 15 the table is Michael Bolton, who is a lawyer for 15 and work cover in that case? 16 Baxter. 16 A. Again I can just give you an estimate. I 17 MR. KLEIMAN: Thank you. 17 think it was between 2005 and 2008. 18 18 Q. You mentioned Mr. Cohen, Mr. Kleiman and BY MR. JACKSON: 19 19 Ms. Yeager in your answer to that. Are they members Q. In how many of those cases have you been 20 retained by the plaintiffs or relators? 20 of the same law firm? 21 21 A. I don't think so. A. All of them. 22 22 O. How many of those cases relate or refer to Q. Were you aware of the fact that those three 23 23 lawyers advertise under a website entitled pharmaceutical pricing? 24 24 drugfraudsettlement.com? A. I don't have that off the top of my head. 25 I don't know. 25 A. No, I've never seen that website. 14 1 O. More than half? (Deposition Exhibit Number 2 was 1 2 A. Well, pricing's a broad subject. So, in 2 marked for identification.) 3 3 the sense that -- you know, in any sense that I can (Document tendered to the 4 assign the word "pricing," I would say, yes, more than 4 witness.) 5 5 BY MR. JACKSON: 6 Q. How many of those cases relate or involve 6 Q. I'll show you what's been marked as Exhibit 7 7 Number 2. We'll have to have copies made, but Mark, average wholesale price? 8 MR. KLEIMAN: Objection. Ambiguous. Are we now 8 this comes from the website. 9 talking about as the denominator the more than half 9 Oh, do you have copies? 10 10 that involve pricing, or is the denominator still the Have you ever seen that before? 11 universe of false claims cases? 11 A. No, I haven't, not -- I mean, I don't 12 BY MR. JACKSON: 12 believe I've seen this. There was a website --13 Q. You can answer the question. 13 MR. KLEIMAN: You've answered the question. 14 A. Well, first of all, I don't have that 14 BY MR. JACKSON: 15 statistic with me. I haven't broken the cases down. 15 Q. You were about to make a comment about a 16 But again, of all the cases I have and have 16 website. What was the website you were about to refer 17 17 ever worked on, if you're asking what percentage 18 are -- have some, if any, touched on AWP, I would 18 A. When the Merck case was settled, this group 19 probably say at least half of them. 19 of attorneys put together a website to explain the 20 Q. Have you ever been retained by your 20 case. And I saw that particular site. 21 counsel, Mr. Kleiman, before? 21 (Deposition Exhibit Number 3 was 22 A. Yes, I have. 22 marked for identification.) 23 Q. In what case was that or cases? 23 (Document tendered to the 24 A. It was in -- help me out. Mark, is that --24 witness.) 25 (Discussion off the record.) 25

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17 1 BY MR. JACKSON: 1 2 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as 2 Q. Do any of the other 10 to 25 cases that 3 Deposition Exhibit 3. Deposition Exhibit 3 is a page 3 you've identified that you have been retained as a from that same website from which Deposition Exhibit 2 4 4 consultant or an expert concern Baxter? 5 5 came. You are identified as the lawyers' drug expert. MR. KLEIMAN: To the extent to which any of the 6 Have you ever seen that document before? 6 cases are under seal I'm going to instruct Mr. 7 A. Yes, I have. 7 Hamilton not to answer. 8 Q. Has Mr. Kleiman or any of the other two 8 BY THE WITNESS: 9 9 lawyers identified in Deposition Exhibit 2 retained A. There is one case that is not under seal. you in connection with any other AWP cases? 10 10 And it is one in which I've been deposed. And that is A. Would you define "AWP cases"? 11 11 the hepatitis C case in Las Vegas. 12 Q. I'll ask the question has Mr. Kleiman or 12 BY MR. JACKSON: any of the other two lawyers identified in Exhibit 2 13 Q. And that is the third of the cases that you 13 mentioned earlier that you'd been deposed on? 14 retained you as an expert in connection with any other 14 15 cases in which a pharmaceutical company is a 15 A. Yes, it is. 16 defendant? 16 Q. And what is the basis for which you're not 17 A. I don't know. 17 testifying regarding these cases under seal? A. Pardon me? 18 Q. You don't know whether you've been retained 18 19 by those lawyers in any other matter? 19 Q. Why are you not testifying or why are you A. I don't know if a pharmaceutical company is 20 20 not answering my questions regarding the cases that 21 at this time a defendant in a case. In other words, a 21 are under seal? 22 case may or may not have been filed, and I may not 22 MR. KLEIMAN: Because I've instructed him not to. 23 know whether that case has been filed or not. 23 BY THE WITNESS: 24 24 As to whether or not I've been retained, my A. That's a good reason. 25 25 MR. JACKSON: I want to designate this case as answer is no. 18 20 1 Q. Did any of those lawyers identified in 1 subject to the protective order issued under MDL 2 Exhibit 2 -- they have not retained you in connection 2 Number 1456, and I will designate this as highly 3 with any of the 10 to 25 other cases against the 3 confidential. 4 pharmaceutical industry that you identified earlier? 4 BY MR. JACKSON: Q. In light of the fact that a protective 5 A. That's correct. 5 6 Q. Who were you retained by in the Strong 6 order has been entered in all these cases and this 7 7 deposition is subject to that protective order, will versus Merck case? 8 A. Craig Steffans. 8 you now answer my questions regarding those 10 to 25 9 9 Q. What's that case about? cases under seal? 10 10 MR. KLEIMAN: No. A. That case concerns the wrongful death of 11 Mr. Steffans' client. Are you asking me what his 11 BY THE WITNESS: 12 12 claim is? A. No. 13 13 Q. Yes. BY MR. JACKSON: 14 Q. Are you presently a plaintiff in any other 14 A. I believe his claim is called, and again 15 case other than the case we're discussing today? 15 I'm not a lawyer, but I think he called it civil 16 fraud. And it has to do with the promotion of the 16 17 17 drug, how the drug is promoted. Q. Have you ever before been a plaintiff in a 18 Q. Which drug? 18 lawsuit? 19 19 A. Vioxx. A. Yes. 20 20 What was the subject matter of that Q. Is that the same case that you mentioned Q. 21 earlier, the Vioxx case, when I asked you about the 21 lawsuit? 22 cases in which you've been deposed? 22 A. I think I had a small claims case, like, 20 23 A. Yes. 23 years ago. I have a vague recollection of that. 24 Q. But other than the present case that you're 24 Q. Same case. Did that Vioxx case concern 25 Baxter in any way? 25 being deposed about today, you have not been and are

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21 23 1 1 not now a plaintiff in any other litigation? Q. Your attorney didn't object, so you can 2 2 A. I'm really trying to think hard here. I answer my question. 3 had a -- I had a case where I was a plaintiff for a 3 MR. KLEIMAN: I want you to exclude from this any 4 period of time in a personal injury case. Again, I 4 discussions you have had with me or with Lauren Udden. 5 5 think that was another -- it might have been a small BY THE WITNESS: 6 claims case, too. That's it. 6 A. That excludes everything. 7 7 Q. You mentioned the Kentucky AWP case. Did BY MR. JACKSON: 8 8 any of your testimony in the Kentucky AWP case have Q. So, by your response do you mean that the 9 9 anything to do with Baxter? one to three times you met with Ms. Sun the lawyers 10 10 were always present? A. Not that I recall. 11 Q. Were you provided any documents in 11 A. Yes, that is true. connection with that case that concerned or related to 12 12 Q. And by that do you also mean that the 13 Baxter? 13 method or way by which you first met Miss Sun somehow 14 14 involved your lawyers? A. No. 15 MR. KLEIMAN: You can answer that question to the 15 Q. And in the Strong versus Merck case, were extent it does not involve a communication with me or 16 you provided any documents or information in 16 17 connection with that case that related to Baxter? 17 Mr. Udden. 18 18 BY THE WITNESS: A. No. 19 19 Q. And in connection with the 10 to 25 other A. But everything involves communication with 20 pharmaceutical cases that remain under seal, have you 20 you and Mr. Udden. So, therefore, I can't answer it. 21 been provided any information with regard to any of 21 BY MR. JACKSON: 22 those cases that relate to Baxter? 22 Q. Let me ask it a different way. 23 23 The first time you met Ms. Sun did you A. Not that I recall. 24 24 Q. Mr. Hamilton, when did you first meet contact her? 25 Linnette Sun? 25 A. No. 22 24 1 A. I can only estimate that. Probably 1 Q. Did she contact you? 2 sometime around 2005, sometime around the time we 2 3 3 Q. How about the other two times that you and filed the Complaint. 4 Q. How many times have you met with her in 4 Ms. Sun have met personally; did you initiate the 5 person? 5 communications? 6 A. I don't have an exact answer, but I would 6 A. No, I did not. 7 7 Q. Did Ms. Sun initiate the communications? say it's somewhere between one and three. 8 Q. Has Ms. Sun ever provided you any documents 8 A. No, she did not. 9 or information relating to Baxter? 9 Q. How many times have you and Ms. Sun spoken 10 A. Nothing that I specifically recall. She 10 on the telephone? has provided documents to our attorneys. And I may A. Absent of attorneys? 11 11 12 have had -- I may have had access to them, but I don't 12 Q. Yes. 13 13 A. Zero. recall ever looking at them. 14 Q. Based upon that answer, do you remember 14 Q. And just to make sure I understand your 15 15 answer, you had not met Ms. Sun until sometime in reviewing any documents in connection -- that you 16 might have received from Ms. Sun? 16 2005, is that correct? 17 17 A. Again I would be guessing. It could have been 2006 when I -- you say, "met." I assume you mean 18 Q. So, to your knowledge you have not reviewed 18 19 internal documents, internal Baxter documents that 19 physically? 20 were provided to you by Ms. Sun? 20 Q. Yes, physically met. A. That could have been 2006. I don't 21 21 A. Correct. 22 Q. How did you come to meet Ms. Sun? 22 remember. 23 A. I'm going to have to say that's a lawyer 23 Q. Your first communication with Ms. Sun, was 24 24 thing. It has everything to do with my attorneys. that in person or by telephone?

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A. Again, any and all communication that I've

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And so, I think that's all under their privilege.

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27 25 1 had with Ms. Sun was with and through the attorneys. 1 A. No. I don't. 2 MR. KLEIMAN: He's not asking you for content. 2 Q. Prior to filing this lawsuit, Mr. Hamilton, 3 He's just asking whether it was in person or by phone. 3 in April of 2005 did you meet personally with any 4 That you can answer. 4 representatives from the Justice Department regarding 5 5 BY THE WITNESS: the facts and circumstances of the Complaint? 6 6 A. Oh, by phone. A. I don't know. I don't know in terms of the 7 BY MR. JACKSON: 7 dates. At some point in time we did meet with the --8 O. And that first contact was around 2005? 8 some folks from the Justice Department. But I don't 9 9 A. Approximately. recall if it was -- you know, what the dates were I 10 10 Q. Okay. I'll represent to you, sir, that the just don't know. 11 Amended Complaint in this matter was filed on or about 11 Q. Who did you meet with? 12 June 14, 2005. Using that date as a reference date, 12 A. The one individual I remember was Justin 13 does that help you date approximately when you and Ms. 13 Dravcott. 14 Sun first had a communication? 14 Q. How many times did you meet with Mr. 15 15 A. Not really. Draycott in connection with this case? 16 Q. Do you and Ms. Sun have any agreement to 16 A. Just once, I believe. 17 share damages, fees or proceeds from this case? 17 Your Complaint in this matter makes claims 18 18 based upon the law of various other states. Are you A. Yes, we do. 19 19 Q. What are the terms of that agreement? aware of that? 20 A. By "terms" could you be more specific? 20 A. Vaguely. 21 Q. Tell me about the agreement between you and 21 Q. Okay. Prior to filing the Complaint did 22 Ms. Sun regarding the splitting of fees, et cetera. 22 you meet personally with representatives of any of the 23 23 states identified in your Complaint? A. I can only give you the -- what I remember. 24 24 MR. KLEIMAN: Concerning this matter? Q. Okay. 25 A. Because, you know, it's legal stuff. So, I 25 BY MR. JACKSON: 26 28 1 don't remember all the conditions and terms. 1 Q. Concerning this matter. 2 That's fine. 2 A. You know, I don't recall all of who -- you 3 3 A. The operative one that I remember is that know, who we met and when. 4 4 we are to split any relators' fees in a ratio of 80 Q. So, is the answer that yes, you did meet 5 percent for her and 20 percent for me. 5 with certain state representatives or that you did not 6 Q. And how is that ratio determined? 6 meet? 7 7 A. The answer is I don't recall. MR. KLEIMAN: You can testify about that to the 8 8 Q. Okay. Mr. Hamilton, can you briefly extent to which you're not revealing communications 9 9 you had with myself or Mr. Udden. describe for me your work history? 10 10 BY THE WITNESS: A. Sure. I started in the drug industry about 11 a year out of undergraduate school. 11 A. Again that means I can't answer. 12 Q. What year was that? 12 **BY MR. JACKSON:** 13 A. Oh, this is painful. In 1973 I went to 13 Q. Is that agreement in writing? 14 work for Ross Laboratories, which is a division of 14 A. Yes, it is. 15 15 MR. JACKSON: We'd like to get a copy of that Abbott, as a sales rep. I worked for them in the 16 agreement. We can send you a Document Request, if 16 Chicago area for about 11 years. 17 17 Left there, went to work for Schering you'd prefer. 18 18 MR. KLEIMAN: I'd prefer. Plough, also in Chicago, also as a sales rep. And 19 19 worked there for about two, two and a half years. BY MR. JACKSON: 20 20 Left there. I went to Cutter Biological. Q. Do you remember any of the other terms of 21 21 Cutter Biological was a wholly-owned subsidiary of that agreement between you and Ms. Sun? 22 22 Bayer AG or Bayer Company. And I worked for the Bayer A. No, I don't. 23 Q. Do you have any other agreements in the 10 23 Company from about '86 until 1999. to 25 other matters that are under seal to share fees 24 24 Is that the -- is that what you're looking

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with the relators?

29 31 1 Q. Sure. Keep going. You're up to 1999. O. When did you first see this document? 2 A. In '99 I left Bayer and became a 2 A. I don't recall. 3 consultant. I worked at that point for basically two 3 Q. What is this document? 4 companies. One was Bayer Corporation and the other 4 A. It appears to be a printout. It's a print 5 5 one was Express Scripts. Did that for about a year or screen from First DataBank's information on AWPs. 6 6 Q. How do you know this document came from 7 7 Then I went to work for Express Scripts, First DataBank? 8 and I worked for them from 2001 until 2006. 8 A. Well. I'm not certain that this document 9 9 From 2006 until today I have been an came from First DataBank. But I do know that 10 10 independent consultant. documents like this come from First DataBank. 11 (Deposition Exhibit Number 4 was 11 Q. Okay. You will note at the bottom 12 marked for identification.) 12 right-hand corner there is a Bates number GH000001 13 (Document tendered to the 13 through GH000009. 14 witness.) 14 Do you see that? 15 15 A. Yes, I do. BY MR. JACKSON: 16 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as 16 Q. So, those documents were produced to us by 17 Deposition Exhibit 4. Mr. Hamilton, have you ever 17 you. How did you come to have this document and, 18 18 seen Deposition Exhibit 4 before? therefore, produce it to Baxter in this litigation? 19 19 A. I believe I have. A. If this is a document that I sent to my 20 20 Q. I'll represent to you, sir, that that is an attorneys, which I assume at this point that it is, 21 exhibit that came from your deposition in the Kentucky 21 then it means it is a document that I printed off of 22 matter that you previously described. 22 information from First DataBank. 23 Does that accurately reflect your work 23 Q. How was it you were able to print 24 24 information off of First DataBank? history? 25 A. Reasonably. Some of the dates I believe 25 A. I am a subscriber to First DataBank. 30 32 1 are wrong. But it's -- it's an accurate 1 Q. What do you mean by that, "a subscriber to 2 representation. 2 First DataBank"? 3 3 Q. Have you ever worked for Baxter or any of A. It means I pay a fee and receive AWP and 4 the -- either of the Baxter entities that are 4 product information from First DataBank. 5 identified as defendants in this case? 5 Q. When did you first become a subscriber to 6 6 First DataBank and, therefore, have access to this A. No, I have not. 7 7 Q. Have you ever consulted with Baxter or information? 8 8 MR. KLEIMAN: Objection. Compound. It assumes either of the Baxter entities who are defendants in 9 9 this case? he didn't have access before he became a subscriber. 10 10 Go ahead and answer. MR. KLEIMAN: Objection. Ambiguous. 11 11 BY MR. JACKSON: BY MR. JACKSON: 12 12 Q. You can answer the question. Q. You can answer the question. 13 13 A. I have not been paid as a consultant for A. I'll break the question up. 14 14 In response to when did I become a Baxter. 15 15 (Deposition Exhibit Number 5 was subscriber, two or three years ago. 16 marked for identification.) 16 Q. And that is you became a subscriber 17 17 (Document tendered to the personally versus through some company? 18 18 A. Correct. witness.) 19 19 Q. Now, did you have access to First DataBank **BY MR. JACKSON:** 20 20 information prior to you personally becoming a Q. I show you what's been marked as Deposition 21 21 Exhibit 5. Deposition Exhibit 5 is a document that at subscriber? 22 the top left corner says "Baxter Products W/AWP 22 A. Yes, I did. 23 History." And under that it's "04.11.05." 23 Q. How did you have that access? 24 Have you ever seen this document before? 24 A. I had it directly and indirectly. I had 25 25 the access to it through Express Scripts. A. Yes, I have.

33 35 1 1 Q. So, while you were an employee at Express information about AWP with First DataBank. 2 2 Scripts? Q. Okay. And I believe in your Declaration 3 A. That is correct. 3 that you filed in response to our Motion to Dismiss 4 Q. In that scenario who is the subscriber? Is 4 you also identified communications you had with 5 5 it Express Scripts or is it Greg Hamilton? representatives at First DataBank, including Kay 6 6 A. It would be Express Scripts. Morgan, correct? 7 7 Q. Okay. Now, prior to your time at Express A. Yes. 8 8 Scripts did you have access to information within the Q. And was it -- and it was, I believe from 9 9 First DataBank database? your Declaration, that it was your communication with 10 A. No. 10 Kay Morgan that formed the basis of the factual 11 Q. So, based upon your earlier testimony what 11 allegations in various paragraphs of the Complaint, 12 date do you believe approximately you first gained 12 correct? 13 access to First DataBank information? 13 A. It formed -- it was the basis of some 14 A. Well, let me back up. When you say "first 14 information. It wasn't everything. 15 15 gained access," there's many ways to access a data (Deposition Exhibit Number 6 was 16 bank's information, firsthand or secondhand or third. 16 marked for identification.) 17 I mean, one way is the way I get it now, 17 (Document tendered to the 18 18 which is I'm a subscriber. witness.) 19 19 Another way would be, like, when I was with BY MR. JACKSON: 20 Express Scripts and I had access to their subscription 20 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as 21 21 to First DataBank. Deposition Exhibit 7. 22 Prior to that I had -- again it depends how 22 Mr. Hamilton, I've just handed you 23 23 you define this, but I had access to First DataBank's Deposition Exhibit 7. Deposition Exhibit 7 is a 24 24 document entitled -- I'm sorry. That should be 6. information through other parties. 25 Q. Like whom? 25 Let's make sure we have the right number on that now. 34 1 A. Well, like customers. 1 That's actually Deposition Exhibit 6. Thank you. 2 Q. Which customers? 2 Have you seen this Declaration before? 3 A. I don't recall which ones specifically, but 3 A. Yes, I have. 4 they certainly would have been -- there could have 4 Q. Did you draft this Declaration? 5 been other manufacturers and GPOs, home care 5 A. I don't recall. 6 companies. They would all refer to AWP and 6 Q. Do you remember when you first saw this 7 7 oftentimes, you know, pull out printouts of their Declaration? 8 sheets, too, and say, "This is what Red Book's got. 8 A. Exactly, no. 9 9 This is what First DataBank has," that kind of stuff. Q. Did you provide the facts that are 10 So, it wasn't that I was a subscriber, but 10 contained in this Declaration? 11 I was presented that data by other people. 11 A. Yes. I did. 12 Q. When you received this First DataBank 12 Q. Can I refer you to paragraph 8 of your 13 information via third parties, when do you think that 13 Declaration? Do you see that? 14 14 process first began? A. Yes, I do. 15 A. I would guess somewhere around 1995. I 15 Q. It says, "In addition to my direct 16 also should note that we're talking about -- we're 16 discussions with Baxter managers, I learned of 17 talking in generalities about information; we're not Baxter's pricing and some of the specific acts alleged 17 18 talking about specifics. 18 in paragraphs 36 through 40 of our Complaint while 19 I also had direct contact with First 19 trying to help Kay Morgan, Manager of Editorial 20 DataBank when I was with Bayer. I was actually the 20 Services for First DataBank." 21 individual that submitted AWP information to First 21 Do you see that? 22 DataBank. So, I received requests from them along 22 A. Mm-hmm. Yes, I do. 23 with Medispan and Red Book as to, you know, what AWP 23 Q. So, let's go ahead and give you the 24 24 information we wanted published for several years. Complaint. 25 So, I had direct contact back and forth on some 25

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37 1 (Deposition Exhibit Number 7 was pulled up from First DataBank in and around the time 2 marked for identification.) 2 the Complaint was filed or sometime earlier? 3 (Document tendered to the 3 A. I don't recall. 4 witness.) 4 Q. Now, the next figure that I see that is new 5 5 BY MR. JACKSON: is "Medicare pays 80 percent of that sum, or \$1.235." 6 6 Q. I show you what's been marked as Deposition Do you see that? Exhibit 7. Do you recognize Deposition Exhibit 7? 7 7 Can you show me again where you're quoting 8 A. Yes, I do. 8 from? 9 9 Q. Can I have you turn to paragraph 36 of the Q. Sure, it's the sentence that begins, "Thus, 10 Complaint that is Deposition Exhibit 7? Are you 10 if the AWP for a drug is." 11 there? 11 Do you see that? It's the end of the 12 12 fourth line of paragraph 36. A. Yes, I am. Q. It's on page 13 of the Complaint. 13 13 14 A. Yes, I am. 14 Q. You reference there the figure \$1.548. 15 Q. All right. So, what components of the 15 Do you see that? information contained in paragraph 36 of the Complaint 16 16 A. Yes. 17 did you receive from Kay Morgan? 17 Q. Is that a number that you got from First 18 A. May I mark this document? 18 DataBank, or did you simply calculate that number? 19 19 Q. Certainly. A. That number does not come from First 20 A. (Indicating). 20 DataBank. That is a calculation. 21 Q. Can you read the information in paragraph 21 Q. In the next sentence, which reads, 22 36 that you gained from your discussion with Ms. 22 "Recombinate has been sold to providers for 89 cents 23 Morgan at First DataBank? 23 (or even less), making the spread, or the difference 24 24 between the actual acquisition cost of 89 cents and A. Yes. In paragraph 36, the information that 25 I gained from Kay Morgan is as follows: "Baxter has 25 the Medicare payment of \$1.235 equals 0.345." 38 40 Do you see that? 1 reported to First DataBank that the WAC for 1 Recombinate is \$1.30 per unit." 2 2 A. Yes, I do. 3 3 Q. Did you provide the 89-cent sales price Q. Is that the only information in paragraph 4 36 that you gained from Kay Morgan? 4 there that is reflected in paragraph 36? 5 5 A. Yes, it is. A. Yes, I did. 6 Q. Okay. Did you provide any of the other 6 How did you come to have that data? 7 7 information in paragraph 36? A. Based on Baxter contracts with Express 8 A. Yes, I did. 8 Scripts. 9 Q. Which? 9 Q. So, that was the price reflected in 10 10 A. I provided all of the remaining information contracts between Baxter and Express Scripts? A. It was. I can tell you that it was also 11 in that paragraph. 11 12 Q. So, how did you determine the number 12 reflective of prices available to Express Scripts for 13 \$1.6250? 13 Baxter product through Cardinal Health. 14 14 Q. And how do you know that? A. I determined that because it was the 15 15 published AWP for Recombinate. A. How do I know that? I know that because I 16 Q. Where did you get that information? 16 had the pharmacy people at Express Scripts pull up the 17 17 A. First DataBank. contract price between Express Scripts and Cardinal 18 18 Q. And when you say you got it from First for Recombinate. And they provided me with that 19 DataBank, how did you get it from First DataBank? 19 information. 20 A. I don't recall at the time. I mean, if I 20 Q. When did you do that? 21 want to make it easy for you, I could go home and pull 21 A. Somewhere around that time period. I don't 22 it up right now because First DataBank provides a 22 remember exactly when. 23 history of AWPs. 23 Q. Which time period? About the time the 24 24 Q. So, I'm just trying to understand, sir, was Complaint was filed? 25 this figure \$1.625, was that information that you 25 A. Yes.

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41 1 Were you working for Express Scripts at the 1 38 of the Complaint? Q. 2 2 time? A. No. 3 3 Q. Let me refer you to paragraph 39 of the A. Yes, I was. 4 And you -- would you read back his last 4 Complaint, which is Deposition Exhibit 7. Q. 5 5 answer? Paragraph 39 begins with the following: 6 (Record read as requested.) 6 "According to knowledge obtained by relator Greg 7 7 BY MR. JACKSON: Hamilton, FDB refused to accept Baxter's 'list sales 8 8 Q. So, to make sure I understand your price,' and instead submitted a letter stating that 9 9 testimony, is it your testimony that while you worked their list price was \$1.31 and that they wanted their 10 at Express Scripts you asked someone at Express 10 AWP to be described as \$1.31." 11 Scripts to contact someone at Cardinal for this 11 Do you see that? 12 information? 12 A. Yes, I do. Q. Did you provide that information to --13 A. That is not correct. When I -- would you 13 14 like me to try and explain? 14 A. Yes, I did. 15 Q. Yes, please. Would you explain? 15 Q. And was that information provided to you by 16 A. Sure. While I was working at Express 16 Kay Morgan? 17 Scripts I was in charge of a program of delivering 17 A. Yes, it was. 18 specialty products, hemophilia products, to patients. 18 Q. How is it that you had a conversation with 19 19 Consequently, I needed to know and did know the prices Kay Morgan about Baxter? 20 that we at Express Scripts were paying to purchase 20 A. Kay called me and asked if I had any idea 21 those drugs. And we had several routes to go through, 21 why Baxter would be submitting information that they 22 channels of distribution in which to buy them. 22 knew was in a format that was unacceptable. 23 23 One of them was the Cardinal distribution Q. When did this communication take place? 24 24 system, of which Express Scripts was a participant. A. I don't remember exactly. I think it 25 So, I was aware through my normal business of what the 25 was -- I'd have to go back and look at the dates. I 42 1 prices were from Cardinal Health for all of the factor 1 just don't remember. But it was -- it was, I believe, 2 products. 2 within days of her having received the letter from 3 3 Q. All right. Let me have you turn to Baxter. 4 paragraph 37 of Deposition Exhibit 7, the Complaint. 4 Q. Do you know why Kay Morgan called you? 5 Is there any information in paragraph 37 5 A. I can only speculate. 6 that you gained through your communication with Kay 6 Q. What do you think? 7 7 Morgan identified in your Declaration? I mean, I don't know. 8 A. No. 8 She didn't tell you why she was calling O. 9 Q. Where did that information come from? 9 you? 10 A. That information came from the CMS website. 10 MR. KLEIMAN: Calls for speculation. 11 Q. Okay. Thank you. Now let me direct your 11 Go ahead. 12 12 BY THE WITNESS: attention to paragraph 38. 13 I'm sorry. When did you access the CMS 13 A. I'm just saying I can -- I can only guess. 14 website to gain the information that's contained in 14 BY MR. JACKSON: 15 paragraph 37? 15 Q. What's your guess? 16 A. I don't recall. 16 A. My guess is that Kay believed I was a 17 17 Q. Was it about the time of the date of the knowledgeable person particularly about the plasma 18 18 industry and about the factor industry. Kay and I had Complaint? 19 A. Again, I don't recall. But if you want me 19 had several conversations about AWPs, about the 20 to estimate, I would say it was somewhere around that 20 industry. I was introduced to her by her superiors. 21 21 time. There was some issue -- Express Scripts is 22 Q. 2005, for example, or 2004? 22 a large customer of First DataBank. And I was at a meeting with the Chief Operating Officer, Chief 23 Again, I would guess 2004 or 2005. 23 24 24 Q. Okay. Paragraph 38, did you provide any of Financial Officer, some folks like that from First 25 25 the factual information that's contained in paragraph DataBank at Express Scripts, and I brought up some

45 issue, I don't know what it was, but I know that three 1 2 or four of us scurried off into a separate conference room because they were concerned about it, and they 3 picked up the phone and called Kay Morgan. 4 5 And we got on a conference call, and we discussed whatever that particular issue was, and they 6 A. Yes, I do. 7 asked her to work with me to resolve it. From that time forward every so often we 8 9 would talk. I'd call her or she'd call me just about, you know, things that were going on in the industry 10 A. It is not. and whatever else. 11 12 So, I think that when she received a letter as she described from Baxter, that as she described 13 it, it said, "We'd like our AWP to be \$1.31 and our 14 A. No. list price is \$1.31," she was, like, "They know that I 15 can't accept AWPs anymore. They know that. I deal 16

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A. Yes. And she said, "I know that they know that, and they know I need a WAC, not this list price thing. I need a WAC. So, why are they doing this?"

And she was calling me up, trying to get -you know, trying to get an opinion as to why she was receiving this type of communication from Baxter.

Q. So, is all of the factual information

Accredo. But it is a specialty pharmacy, otherwise known as a home care company, in New Jersey.

Q. Can I have you turn to the page that is marked GH000014 of that exhibit? Do you see those handwritten notes in the right-hand margin?

Q. Do you recognize that handwriting?

A. No, I do not.

Q. Is it your handwriting?

Q. The format of pages GH14 and 15, the next two pages, are different than the format before or after. Do you know why?

Q. Did you make use of this document in creating or preparing the allegations of the Complaint in this case?

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(Deposition Exhibit Number 9 was marked for identification.) (Document tendered to the witness.)

23 BY MR. JACKSON:

> Q. Let me show you what has been marked as Deposition Exhibit 9. Deposition Exhibit 9 is a

specified in or included in paragraph 39 information that you gained from Kay Morgan?

A. Yes.

(Deposition Exhibit Number 8 was marked for identification.) (Document tendered to the witness.)

BY MR. JACKSON:

Q. I show you what's been marked as Deposition Exhibit 8. Deposition Exhibit 8 is a document produced to Baxter by you.

Have you ever seen this document before?

A. Yes.

Q. What is this document?

A. It's financial information about and

provided by a company called Hemophilia Resources of America.

Q. How did you come to acquire this document?

19 A. While I was working at Express Scripts I 20 worked on a project that involved Hemophilia Resources 21 of America.

22 Q. Who is or what is Hemophilia Resources of 23 America, Inc.?

A. Hemophilia Resources of America, Inc. is a -- no longer exists as such. It's been purchased by document produced to Baxter by you.

Have you ever seen this document before?

A. I'm gonna qualify this by saying -- my answer is kind of yes. I guess I'm getting on the legal side of this. You know, is this the exact document?

Q. This is the document that you produced to us, okav?

A. Right. Okay. Sure.

10 Q. Okay. Now, where did you get this 11 document?

> A. This would be while I was at Express Scripts. And it was printed off a screen from the -at Express Scripts.

Q. But this was in your possession and control, and that's why you produced this?

18 Q. Now, I presume since it says "Express 19 Scripts" at the top, Express Scripts was probably the 20 subscriber at the time. Is that your belief?

A. It is my belief, yes.

22 Q. When did you leave Express Scripts?

A. Summer of 2006.

Q. Now, was this document, Deposition Exhibit 9, used in preparing the Complaint in this matter?

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49 51 1 MR. KLEIMAN: Calls for speculation. 1 A. This document was used to demonstrate that 2 2 You can answer so far as you know. Baxter did engage in rebate contracts. 3 BY THE WITNESS: 3 Q. Okay. Is there anything wrong with 4 engaging in rebate contracts, a pharmaceutical company 4 A. My answer is I don't know. I mean, I don't 5 5 having rebate contracts? recall if I used this specific document or not. 6 6 BY MR. JACKSON: A. Not at all. 7 7 Q. Okay. Did you have any involvement in Q. So, again, how was paragraph 10 used in 8 8 drafting the Amended Complaint in this matter that is conjunction with the Complaint, if you know? 9 9 MR. KLEIMAN: Do you mean Exhibit 10? Deposition Exhibit 7? 10 A. By "involvement," if you mean I provided 10 MR. JACKSON: Yes, I do. I'm sorry. Exhibit 10. 11 information, then yes. 11 BY THE WITNESS: 12 12 Q. Thus my question about Deposition Exhibit A. Oh, okay. I can only repeat what I just --13 9. Is there new information coming from Deposition 13 my previous answer. It was used to illustrate that 14 Exhibit 9 to your knowledge that was used in drafting 14 Baxter did indeed participate in rebate contracts. 15 15 the Complaint in this matter to your knowledge? I suppose I could go even one step further. 16 A. Again I don't know. 16 It also shows the manner in which Baxter calculated or 17 17 adjudicated these rebates, and that this was done, (Deposition Exhibit Number 10 18 18 was marked for identification.) obviously, on an Excel spreadsheet. So, this is 19 19 (Document tendered to the separate and apart from the standard order entry 20 20 witness.) process, debit and credit inventory system that Baxter 21 21 would use and, therefore, separate and apart from its BY MR. JACKSON: 22 22 Q. I show you what has been marked as Medicaid Administrative Program. 23 23 Deposition Exhibit 10. Have you ever seen Deposition O. You've never worked for Baxter, correct? 24 24 Exhibit 10 before? A. That is correct. 25 A. Yes, I have. 25 Q. So, you don't know how this spreadsheet 50 52 O. What is this document? that is Deposition Exhibit 10 interacts in any way 1 1 2 A. This is an Excel spreadsheet provided to me 2 with Baxter's order entry process, do you? 3 by Baxter when again I was with Express Scripts. 3 A. I know how the industry works. And I don't 4 4 believe Baxter's order entry process is on an Excel If you notice, at the top it says, 5 "Curascript." Curascript is a division of Express 5 spreadsheet, especially when this Excel spreadsheet 6 Scripts. It's a specialty pharmacy. And this 6 was calculated incorrectly and I had to correct it. 7 7 spreadsheet reflects a contract that existed between Q. I'm asking you do you know how -- do you 8 Baxter and Curascript for the purchase of Baxter 8 know how Baxter's order entry system works? 9 9 products. A. Not specifically, no. 10 10 Q. How is it that -- did you take this Q. And do you know how Baxter's Excel document with you when you left Express Scripts or 11 spreadsheet that you identified as Exhibit 10 works 11 12 12 with Baxter's order entry system? Curascript? 13 A. Well, I had it in my possession. I don't 13 A. I do not know if it works with it or if 14 know if that's the same as "took with." 14 it -- how it works with it. I don't even know if it 15 15 Q. Right. Was it your practice to take does work with it. 16 documents with you when you left an employer? 16 Q. You have no knowledge of the internal 17 17 workings at Baxter vis-à-vis calculations of rebates A. It was my practice to work out of my home. 18 Particularly from '04 to '06 working for Express 18 or pricing, correct? 19 Scripts I worked out of my home. And as such, I had 19 A. That is correct. 20 various documents and working materials in my home. 20 Let me correct that. When you say 21 21 "calculations of rebates," do I have any knowledge of This happened to be one of them. 22 Q. Was this document used in providing input 22 how Baxter calculates rebates internally? Well, the 23 23 to the Complaint in this matter? fact that as a customer I get my rebate information 24 24 A. To some extent, yes. that comes off an Excel spreadsheet tells me I know 25 25 something about it in that it's Excel Q. How?

53 55 1 spreadsheet-driven, and the fact that when I went 1 MR. KLEIMAN: Calls for speculation. 2 through this and recognized there were mistakes on it 2 BY THE WITNESS: 3 and went back to the Baxter rep and said, "Hey, you've 3 A. No, I don't. 4 got mistakes," as a matter of fact, they were in 4 **BY MR. JACKSON:** 5 5 Curascript's favor, "you've made some errors on here," Q. If you go further into the document, go 6 he responded with, "Oh, yeah. The guy running the 6 back to page GH000064, at the top there's also a fax 7 Excel spreadsheet made a mistake. He moved a field 7 mark, it appears, and it says, "Patient Services, 8 over. I'll have him correct it," that tells me 8 Inc." 9 9 something about how they're adjudicating their Do you know who Patient Services, Inc. is? 10 rebates. 10 A. Yes, I do. 11 Q. When you say "adjudicating rebates," what 11 O. Who are they? 12 do you mean by that? 12 A. Patient Services, Inc. is a non-profit A. Well, calculating them. As you can see, in organization in Virginia. 13 13 14 this particular situation different rebate tiers were 14 Q. And what do they do? 15 set up. If the customer purchases a certain amount of 15 A. They assist patients in reimbursement 16 product, they get a certain rebate. And if they hit a 16 issues. 17 certain goal, they get this rebate. This is set up 17 Q. Did you receive this document from Patient 18 18 prior to sales. Services, Inc.? 19 And then after the sales period, whether it 19 A. I don't recall. 20 be a quarter or a year, Baxter sits down and looks at 20 Q. I'm sorry if you answered this question. 21 what those sales were, compares them to the -- you When did you first see this document? 21 22 know, what was offered, and then calculates what 22 A. I don't recall. I did answer that. I just 23 23 rebate is due and issues a check. don't remember. 24 Q. Is there anything wrong with that process 24 Q. Did this document have any bearing or did 25 in your mind? 25 you use this document in any way to draft the 54 56 Complaint? A. Nothing at all. 1 1 2 (Deposition Exhibit Number 11 was 2 A. Again I don't recall. 3 3 Q. Why did you produce this document to us? marked for identification.) 4 Do you recall? 4 (Document tendered to the 5 5 A. I don't know why it was produced to you. witness.) 6 BY MR. JACKSON: 6 My best guess is I provided this to my attorneys as 7 7 background information about the hemophilia market. Q. Let me show you what has been marked as 8 Deposition Exhibit 11. Deposition Exhibit 11 is a 8 Q. If you refer back to the front page of this 9 document produced by you to us. At the top it says, 9 document, there are certain clauses, et cetera, that 10 "RBC Capital Markets." It's an article entitled, "The 10 are underlined. 11 Are those your markings? 11 Changing Paradigm In Hemophilia." 12 A. I don't know. 12 Do you see that? 13 13 A. Yes, I do. (Deposition Exhibit Number 12 was 14 marked for identification.) 14 Q. Have you seen this document before? 15 15 (Document tendered to the A. Yes, I have. 16 Q. When did you first see this document? 16 witness.) 17 BY MR. JACKSON: 17 A. I don't know. 18 18 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Q. At the top there is what appears to be a 19 fax number. It says, "Algonquin." 19 Deposition Exhibit 12. Deposition Exhibit 12 is a 20 Do you know what that is? 20 news article produced by you to Baxter in this matter. 21 It's a U.S. News article dated April 2, 2003. It's 21 A. No. I don't. 22 Q. Do you have a fax number 847-960-7384? 22 entitled "Court: HMOs Can Be Made to Open Networks." 23 A. No, I don't. 23 Do you see that?

Q. Do you know how that mark got on the top of

this document that you produced to us?

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A. Yes, I do.

Q. Have you ever seen this document before?

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57 59 1 1 A. I don't recall it. **BY MR. JACKSON:** 2 2 Q. Do you know what relevance this document Q. I show you what's been marked Deposition 3 has to the Complaint in this matter? 3 Exhibit 14. Deposition Exhibit 14 is a State of Texas 4 Notice of Intention to Take Oral Depositions. It's A. I would need to read it. Do you want me to 4 5 5 take a minute and read it? Exhibit 371 to the deposition of Kay Morgan. This 6 6 document was produced to us by you in this matter. Q. Well, I'm just curious have you read it 7 7 Have you ever seen this document before? before? 8 8 A. Again I don't recall. A. I don't believe so. I'm looking at it now, 9 Q. Do you remember referring to this when you 9 but I don't recall ever seeing this before. 10 provided input for the Complaint in this matter? 10 Q. Do you recall reviewing this document in 11 A. I do not recall that. 11 preparation of providing input for the Complaint in (Deposition Exhibit Number 13 was this matter? 12 12 A. No, I do not recall that. 13 marked for identification.) 13 14 (Document tendered to the 14 Q. Let me have you turn to page GH000113 of that exhibit, please. There are markings on that 15 15 witness.) page. Some text has been underlined. 16 BY MR. JACKSON: 16 17 Q. Sir, I'm handing you Deposition Exhibit 13. 17 Do you see that? Deposition Exhibit 13 is a Confidential Examination 18 18 A. Yes, I do. 19 Under Oath of Patricia Kay Morgan dated January 28, 19 Q. Is that your underlining? 2002. This document has Bates numbers GH000126 20 20 A. I don't believe so, but I don't know. 21 through GH000290. 21 (Deposition Exhibit Number 15 was 22 Have you ever seen this document before? 22 marked for identification.) A. I think so. 23 23 (Document tendered to the 24 24 Q. Under what circumstances have you seen this witness.) 25 document? 25 58 60 A. I think I may have a copy of it. 1 BY MR. JACKSON: 1 2 Q. You'll note this document is identified as 2 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as 3 3 Deposition Exhibit 15. Deposition Exhibit 15 is a "Attorneys' Eyes Only." 4 Do you see that? 4 document entitled "Deposition Summary Patricia Kay 5 A. Yes. 5 Morgan Taken 11/13/02." 6 Q. When did you first see this document? 6 Do you see that document? 7 7 A. Yes, I do. A. I have no idea. 8 Q. How did you get this document? 8 Q. Have you ever seen this document before? 9 9 A. From my attorney. A. Yes, I believe I have. 10 10 Q. Is there anything to your knowledge in this Q. When did you first see this document? A. No idea. 11 deposition that relates to Baxter? 11 12 Q. Were you given -- how did you acquire a 12 A. I don't know. Q. And I'm sorry, sir. You said you have or 13 copy of this document? 13 14 14 A. It would have had to have been through my have not read this document? 15 15 A. I don't know. attornevs. Q. Did you draft this summary or this 16 Q. Did any information in this document 16 17 deposition summary? 17 have -- strike that. 18 Did you use any information coming from 18 A. No. 19 this examination; that is, Deposition Exhibit 13, in 19 Q. When were you provided this document? 20 preparing or drafting the Complaint? 20 A. I have no clue. 21 Q. Do you remember whether you were provided 21 A. No. 22 22 this document prior to the date that the Complaint was (Deposition Exhibit Number 14 was 23 marked for identification.) 23 filed in this case? 24 (Document tendered to the 24 A. Again I don't know.

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Q. Mr. Hamilton, have you signed up to the

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witness.)

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61 63 1 terms of a protective order relating to the Texas 1 BY MR. JACKSON: 2 2 Q. This was a single document produced to us depositions, particularly as relates to Kay Morgan's 3 deposition? 3 by you, sir. 4 4 A. I mean, I'm looking -- just so you know, A. I don't know. 5 5 Q. Again I find no mention of Baxter in this I'm looking at the Table of Contents on this, and it 6 document. Did this document have -- did you review it 6 says it goes up to page 85. There's gotta be 500 7 before drafting the Complaint in this matter? 7 pages here. 8 A. The document you're talking about here is 8 O. I understand. 9 9 this Exhibit 15? A. So, I'm saying I don't know what all is in 10 10 Q. Yes, sir. here. 11 A. I don't even remember, you know, when I saw 11 Q. Again, Mr. Hamilton, this is a single file 12 12 that was produced to us by you. And I'm just trying it and when I've looked at it. So, I would have to 13 13 tell you that it had nothing to do with me drafting to understand what this document is. 14 14 A. Okav. the Complaint. 15 15 Q. Okay. I apologize for doing this. So, let's focus on --Q. 16 A. To the tree. 16 A. I'm trying to do the same thing, by the 17 Q. To the trees. 17 18 (Deposition Exhibit Number 16 was 18 Q. Sure. 19 19 marked for identification.) A. I'm trying to figure out what this (Document tendered to the 20 20 document -- I mean, I'm very familiar with the Market 21 21 witness.) Research Bureau reports, okay? 22 22 BY MR. JACKSON: O. Let's start there. What is the Market 23 23 Q. I'm handing you what has been marked as Research Bureau? What is it? 24 24 Deposition Exhibit 16. A. Market Research Bureau is a company owned 25 MR. KLEIMAN: Let the record reflect we're 25 and operated by a man named Patrick Robert. Patrick 62 is a former colleague of mine from Bayer Corporation. 1 grunting and groaning. 1 2 2 BY MR. JACKSON: He was in the Marketing Research Department. He left 3 3 Bayer. Q. Deposition Exhibit 16 is a document 4 4 entitled "Survey on Hemophilia Care & Price Monitoring I forget what year he started this thing, 5 in the United States." The front cover of this 5 but he started his own company of market research to 6 exhibit is called "Global Market Research Hemophilia." 6 provide information and data and research in an 7 7 Do you see that? area -- what's called an unaudited market, which, if 8 8 A. Yes. you're familiar with the plasma products at all, they 9 9 Q. Have you ever seen this document before? are what's called unaudited. 10 10 A. I -- just by the size of it I'd say no, but And if you look at the pills and tablets side of the pharmaceutical industry, IMS does a great 11 I don't know. Let me take a look and see what it says 11 12 12 inside. job of telling everybody -- IMS Health, an 13 Oh, this is a Market Research Bureau 13 organization, does a great job of providing data to 14 14 report. Sure. I don't remember it being this big. the industry about, you know, what categories of drugs 15 15 Q. When do you think you first saw this were sold, how many were sold, you know, AWPs, all 16 document? 16 that stuff. And they provide all this sales 17 A. Oh, well, when you say "this document," are 17 information by zip code. They even provide stuff by 18 18 you referring to, you know, what is titled "Wave 10, doctor. 19 April 2000" or are you talking about a Market Research 19 The biologics world doesn't have that type 20 Bureau report of this nature? 20 of a service. And so, because that information was 21 missing, Patrick went out and founded his own company 21 Q. I'm talking specifically about this 22 document that is identified as GH000321 through 22 to provide that information to those people in this 23 GH001495. 23 industry so they would have marketing information and 24 24 MR. KLEIMAN: I'm going to object as ambiguous. data they could use for all their products. And 25 25 This contains multiple documents. that's what he did.

65 1 Q. Do you remember citing to the Market 1 we wanted to buy the current report. And the rest of 2 Research Bureau in your Complaint? 2 that information that's in paragraph 14 were her 3 A. I don't specifically recall, but I believe 3 answers to my questions. 4 4 Q. Okay. So, is it -- was it her answer that it's in there. 5 5 Q. Did you recently call the Market Research there are presently 20 subscribers to Market Research 6 Bureau in connection with this matter? 6 Bureau reports? 7 7 A. Yes. A. Yes, I did. 8 Q. Why did you call the Market Research 8 Q. Did you ask her any questions about 9 9 previous or prior year Market Research Bureau reports? Bureau? 10 10 A. I asked her if they would be available. A. I called Patrick Robert because I wanted to 11 find out, get some information from him. 11 She said yes. 12 12 I asked her, you know, about how much those Do you want to know what information I was 13 13 would cost, and she said, "You'll need to talk to calling him for? 14 Q. I do. 14 Patrick, and Patrick's out of the country at the moment." 15 15 A. I wanted to find out what he would charge 16 for some old reports and, you know, what he was 16 Q. But your Declaration says that she told you 17 currently charging for reports. Let me think what 17 how much things would cost. 18 18 She told me how much a single issue was. else I asked him. 19 19 I think I just confirmed with him it was --Q. That's today's issue? 20 I talked to both his assistant and to Patrick. I just 20 A. That's today's issue. 21 confirmed that their number of clients was small 21 Q. Not prior issues? 22 22 A. Correct. 23 23 Q. Can I have you look back at your Q. Okay. And did you ask her what her 24 24 subscribers were or what Market Research Bureau's Declaration, please? 25 A. Can you tell me what number that is? 25 subscribers were in years past? 66 1 MR. KLEIMAN: It's 6. 1 I'm not sure I understand your question. 2 THE WITNESS: Okay. 2 Q. Sure. I thought you testified earlier that 3 3 BY MR. JACKSON: the \$16,000 price and the 20 subscribers referred to 4 Q. Can I refer you to paragraph 14? 4 present day data? 5 5 A. That's correct. 6 Q. Okay. In paragraph 14 you specify -- of 6 Q. So, my question to you, sir, is did you 7 your Declaration you specify "On September 13, 2009 I 7 also ask her about costs in 2002, for example, of 8 called the Market Research Bureau and spoke with Cindy 8 reports? 9 9 Lynn, Patrick Robert's secretary." A. No, I did not. 10 Q. Or did you ask her about the number of Did you just speak with Cindy Lynn, or did 10 you speak with Mr. Robert? 11 11 subscribers in 2002? 12 A. On September 13th I spoke with Cindy Lynn. 12 A. No. I did not. 13 Subsequently Patrick called me back. I don't know how 13 Q. Now, let me refer you back to the Market 14 many days later it was, but at some point he called Research Bureau exhibit that is Exhibit 16. 14 15 back and we had further discussions about it. 15 A. Can I put this away? 16 Q. All right. So, let's talk about your 16 Q. You probably ought to leave it right there. 17 conversation with Cindy Lynn. A. Okay. 17 18 What did you ask her? 18 Q. You're referring back to -- can I have you 19 A. I asked her questions that generated these 19 look to page GH000323? 20 answers. So, like I said just a minute ago off the 20 Actually, maybe I'll make this easier. If 21 top of my head that I had called and I wanted to find 21 you pull out Deposition Exhibit 7, which is your 22 out what a subscription to this would cost. 22 Complaint in this case, --23 Q. So, is the subscription that you refer to 23 A. Got it. 24 in paragraph 14 of your Declaration today's prices? 24 Q. -- paragraph 29 refers to a 2001 Market 25 A. Yes. That was the price she quoted me if

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Research Bureau report called "The Plasma Fractions

69 71 1 1 Market in the United States." Do you see that? 2 2 A. Yes, I do. Do you see that? 3 A. Yes, I do. 3 Q. So, is it your understanding that Market Research Bureau takes public information, recompiles 4 Q. Did you make use of a 2001 Market Research 4 5 5 Bureau report in preparing your Complaint? it and uses that to create their report? 6 6 A. Yes. I might add I probably used several A. No. 7 years of the Market Research Bureau reports. I don't 7 Q. Isn't that what it says? 8 8 know exactly what years I've got at home, but --A. It says, "analysis of information generally 9 9 (Deposition Exhibit Number 17 was available to the public or released by responsible 10 10 individuals in the companies mentioned." marked for identification.) 11 (Document tendered to the 11 And I believe, if I had to put a number on 12 12 it, probably 95 percent of the information contained witness.) 13 BY MR. JACKSON: 13 in the Market Research Bureau is not available to the 14 Q. Let me show you what has been marked as 14 public. It is this latter part "released by 15 Deposition Exhibit 17. Deposition Exhibit 17 is a 15 responsible individuals in the companies mentioned." 16 2001 Market Research Bureau report. 16 Q. But doesn't it --17 Do you see that? 17 A. If it was available to the public, you 18 A. Yes, I do. 18 wouldn't need the report. 19 19 Q. Is that the report that you referred to in Q. Couldn't it be that they are simply taking 20 public information from a variety of sources and 20 your Complaint? 21 21 compiling it, putting it together to resell to the A. Yes, it is. 22 22 Q. And I believe you also testified that you general market? may have reviewed other Market Research Bureau reports 23 23 A. In this case, no, because let's remember 24 in preparing the Complaint? 24 that the reason he formed this company was because 25 A. Yes. 25 that information isn't available. 70 72 Q. Do you also see in that initial disclosure 1 Q. Would that include the Market Research 1 2 Bureau document that is Deposition Exhibit 16? 2 the second sentence, "It does not contain information 3 3 provided in confidence by our clients"? A. It could. 4 4 Do you see that? O. You don't remember? 5 A. I don't remember specifically which ones. 5 A. I do. 6 I mean, this one is dated April 2002 and the Market 6 Q. Now, how much of any of these Market 7 7 Research Bureau reports did you rely upon in preparing Research Bureau reports typically provide historical 8 data, too. So, at this moment exactly which piece of 8 the factual information contained in the Complaint? 9 9 information I pulled from which report I don't know. A. I don't know. 10 10 Q. Did you --(Deposition Exhibit Number 18 was 11 A. But I can also -- let me offer you 11 marked for identification.) (Document tendered to the 12 12 something here. 13 13 No, never mind. Go ahead. witness.) 14 Q. How did you obtain Deposition Exhibits 16 14 BY MR. JACKSON: 15 15 and 17? Q. Let me show you what's been marked as 16 A. I'm not sure. 16 Deposition Exhibit 18. 17 17 Q. Did Miss Sun give these to you? A. I was going to say, if we're getting near a 18 18 point, I'd like to take a bathroom break when we get a A. No. 19 Q. If you look at the front page of Deposition 19 chance. 20 Exhibit 17, which is "The Plasma Fractions Market in 20 MR. JACKSON: Sure. Let's do that right now. 21 21 the United States 2001," it includes the following: (Recess.) 22 "The contents of this study represent our analysis of 22 BY MR. JACKSON: 23 information generally available to the public or 23 Q. Mr. Hamilton, let me show you what's been 24 released by responsible individuals in the companies 24 marked as Deposition Exhibit 18. 25 mentioned." 25 Have you ever seen Deposition Exhibit 18

before?

A. I think so.

Q. Can you explain to me what Deposition Exhibit 18 is?

- A. Well, I can take my best guess.
- O. Okay.
- A. I mean, obviously it's a -- you know, the title is "Summary of First DataBank Information on Selected Drugs." And I believe what the --
 - Q. Did you create this document?
- A. I personally didn't, but I may have directed someone to create it.
- Q. And what was the purpose of creating this document?
- A. Again if it's the document I'm thinking of, you know, because this is a little bit out of context, but as best I can guess, this looks like a comparison sheet that I would have used -- let me try and put it in context and explain.

When I was with Express Scripts, so this is when I was a customer of Baxter's and all the other factor manufacturers, I was responsible for contracting with various health plans for fulfillment of specialty prescriptions.

And one of the things that I did in the

or two years and the AWP changed three times in that period, that could have severe financial implications on either party that's in the contract.

So, I believe this is a document that was one of those produced just to show people the changes in AWP.

- Q. So, do you believe you created this document or had it created while you were at Express Scripts?
- A. It looks like something that I would have had done while I was at Express Scripts.
- Q. Did you rely upon or use this document in preparing the Complaint in this matter?
 - A. Not per se.
 - Q. When you say "per se," that's a qualifier.
- A. Yeah, it is. Not specifically. I think that one -- and I don't know how well it's spelled out in the Complaint, but one of the issues with AWP, and I assume you're unbelievably familiar with AWP at this point, is that both prior to 2001 and after 2001 AWPs could be changed in this industry sort of willy-nilly at the manufacturer's whim depending on market circumstances, whatever they wanted to do. It was very easy to initiate a change in AWP, and you could make it whatever you wanted.

contracting process was to -- you know, we -- we sold the product at prices -- we billed the customer at some discount off of AWP.

- Q. Who billed it?
- A. Express Scripts, or Curascript, a subdivision of it. So, we would bill some discount off of AWP.

And, of course, we would footnote that the AWP we used was that of First DataBank because there are two other data banks you could be using. So, you wanted to specify, especially under a contract, which data bank you're using.

And I also would add to the contracts, to the footnotes, that if the AWP should change during the contract period, that we reserved the right to also change the rate, what we were charging. And in some circumstances I put together or had other people for me put together things like this to show internal customers and the people within Express Scripts what was going on, and also people outside of Express Scripts, the reason and the need for having that kind of language in a contract because of the changes in AWP that exist in the marketplace.

So, you wouldn't -- you know, if you locked into a particular AWP minus such-and-such for a year

And because of that, it was necessary for me in a contracting position to make sure that I noted, hey, AWP's changed. And I would say that -- again, I'm telling a customer I'm putting this footnote in because they do change and they don't necessarily make any sense when they change and they may or may not affect the actual acquisition price. Oftentimes they don't. It's just the AWP changes. So, this was done, I think, more as an educational piece to explain why.

So, when you say was it relied upon, I don't believe specifically, but the idea or the concept is certainly part of it, is that AWPs, you know, fluctuated with sort of the wind or, you know, whatever a manufacturer felt they needed at that given point in time.

Q. So, why is that -- I'm sorry.
Is that document then relevant to the allegations of the Complaint in this case?

- A. Again I'm saying it's not necessary to the Complaint.
- Q. Was it used to make any allegations in the Complaint?
- A. I don't believe so. I hope -- Mark's probably looking at me like, oh, just be quiet, but

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1	I'm trying to give you as much information, you know,	1	notes or comments or marks.
2	to make this easy for all of us to understand.	2	A. It looks like it says, "Plus?"
3	Q. I appreciate that.	3	Oh, you want me to try to interpret that
4	A. So, if I talk too much, just tell me to	4	for you in Greg hieroglyphics?
5	shut up.	5	Q. I would.
6	MR. KLEIMAN: How about you? Do I get to tell	6	A. That probably means meeting with Baxter,
7	you?	7	Royal and possibly somebody else.
8	THE WITNESS: You don't get to tell me.	8	Q. Okay. And where were you meeting with
9	(Deposition Exhibit Number 19 was	9	Royal on January 24th, 2005?
10	marked for identification.)	10	A. I don't know.
11	(Document tendered to the	11	Q. Did you meet with them then?
12	witness.)	12	A. I can't say for certain. Typically if
13	BY MR. JACKSON:	13	there's something like this in my appointment book and
14	Q. All right. Mr. Hamilton, I want to show	14	the appointment is cancelled, it will be scratched
15	you what's been marked as Deposition Exhibit 19.	15	out. So, I would say I probably did.
16	Deposition Exhibit 19 is a document produced to Baxter	16	Q. Do you remember what the subject of your
17	by you.	17	meeting was at that time?
18	Have you ever seen this document before?	18	A. No.
19	A. Yes, I have.	19	Q. All right. Let's go to the next page,
20	Q. Can you explain what this collection of	20	GH001498.
21	pages are?	21	Do you see that?
22	A. Yeah. These are photocopies of my	22	A. Mm-hmm.
23	appointment books going back through the years.	23	Q. There is on that page what appears to be
24	Q. Okay. How far back do you have appointment	24	the name "Royal Stuart."
25	books?	25	Do you see that?
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1	A. I'm not sure exactly, but I'd say probably	1	A. Mm-hmm.
2	1993.	2	Q. What's the word after that?
3	Q. Do you still have these original documents?	3	A. I don't know for certain, but if I had to
4	A. Yes.	4	guess, it looks like "10 a.m."
5	Q. In your possession or in your counsel's	5	Q. What are the words below that?
6	possession?	6	A. "Noon Steve."
7	A. In my possession.	7	Q. Do you know what that means?
8	Well, let me when you say ''original	8	A. That means I had a meeting at noon with
9	documents," I have the actual appointment books in my	9	Steve.
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	possession. I made photocopies of all these pages and	10	Q. Do you know who Steve is?
11	possession. I made photocopies of all these pages and sent them to Mr. Kleiman, who has those in his	11	Q. Do you know who Steve is?A. No.
	sent them to Mr. Kleiman, who has those in his possession.		
11	sent them to Mr. Kleiman, who has those in his possession. Q. I understand. I'm asking about the	11	A. No.
11 12	sent them to Mr. Kleiman, who has those in his possession. Q. I understand. I'm asking about the originals because we may want to see the originals.	11 12	A. No.Q. Did you meet with Royal Stuart on January
11 12 13	sent them to Mr. Kleiman, who has those in his possession. Q. I understand. I'm asking about the originals because we may want to see the originals. So, I'd ask you not to destroy or otherwise get rid of	11 12 13	A. No.Q. Did you meet with Royal Stuart on January 19th, 2005?
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81 83 1 Q. I see what appears to be "NHF 4-5-6." okay? I'm just trying to say if it's in the 1 2 Do you see that? 2 appointment book and it's not scratched out, that 3 A. Yes, I do. 3 means I believe I had that meeting. If you say to me, 4 Q. Can you explain that to me? 4 "Are you absolutely certain that that meeting 5 5 A. Yeah. That means that I was in a meeting occurred," well, no. 6 in Dallas at the Hyatt. It was the National 6 Q. And I need to know what occurred at that 7 Hemophilia Foundation meeting, the 4th, 5th and 6th, 7 meeting. 8 obviously, of November. 8 A. And my answer on that one is I don't know. 9 9 Q. Can you turn to the next page, GH001501? Q. And what year was that? 10 10 A. Good question. '04. A. 11 Q. I note on that same page something has been 11 Can you read that for me on that calendar Q. 12 12 blacked out or redacted. date? 13 Do you see that? 13 A. Yes. "Noon Jeff Beck Millennium Grill." 14 A. Yes, I do. 14 Q. Who's Jeff Beck? 15 Q. Can you tell me why something was redacted 15 A. Baxter rep. Q. Do you remember what you and Jeff Beck 16 on that page? 16 17 A. Specifically I can't. Generally do you 17 discussed that day? 18 18 want --No, I do not. 19 19 Q. Sure. Why generally are there redactions Q. Mr. Hamilton, I'll make this a little 20 throughout these pages? 20 easier maybe. Several of the pages of your calendar 21 21 pages here mention things like NHF. A. I would say that's probably some personal 22 notation, something that had nothing to do with Baxter 22 What does NHF mean? 23 23 or this case. A. National Hemophilia Foundation meeting. 24 24 Q. Okay. Can I have you turn to the next Q. Okay. If I ask you what happened, for 25 page, GH001500? Can you read what it says at the top 25 example, at the National Hemophilia Foundation meeting 82 that is on GH001502, will you be able to tell me what 1 of that page? 2 A. If you're referring to the part under 2 occurred during that meeting? 3 "Monday" where it says, "Baxter 1 p.m."? 3 A. Specifically, no. 4 4 Q. And will you be able to tell me what Q. Yes. 5 A. Oh, yeah. Okay. This says, "Baxter 1 p.m. 5 occurred at any of the meetings that are identified in 6 North to Lake-Cook Road." 6 any of these calendar pages? 7 7 What that means is that I was meeting with A. There may be -- generally speaking the 8 8 answer is no. Baxter at their facility in Chicago. 9 9 Q. Okay. Who did you meet with that day? There may be one or two where I would be 10 10 A. That particular day I can't say for able to say -- for example, if you look at 1506, certain. Typically if I was at Baxter's headquarters, 11 Friday, August 16th, where it says, "Slides to 11 12 12 Pete O'Malley would have been there. But it could Baxter," okay? And it was just 10 days before that we 13 have been -- who else was with him I wouldn't know for 13 have a -- I have a notation for a Baxter conference 14 14 sure. call. 15 15 Q. Do you have a specific memory what occurred The slides going to Baxter would have been 16 on that day, if that meeting actually occurred? 16 my what I call PBM 101 slides. This is where we were 17 17 A. Was that two questions? discussing things about PBMs and what their 18 18 Q. I'll start over. involvement in the specialty pharmaceutical market's 19 Do you remember having a specific meeting 19 gonna be. And I had a slide presentation that 20 20 described, you know, some just general stuff about how 21 21 A. I do not know if it actually occurred. I PBMs operate. 22 believe that's where you're going. You want me to 22 So, again, we can go back and say that, say, right? 23 23 well, that means that probably Wednesday, February 5th 24 24 Q. I'm just trying to assess -was a discussion about PBMs in the specialty pharmacy 25 25

market and how it applies to both IGIV and to

A. And I'm trying to answer you honestly,

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85 87 1 1 developed his knowledge of Baxter's practices from his hemophilia products. intimate familiarity with the industry, but had no 2 2 And the following one that says "Slides" 3 would have been I sent them the deck, the slide deck. 3 opportunity to develop documentary evidence." 4 However, other than that -- let me help 4 Do you see that? 5 5 you. Other than that, for these entries where it says A. Yes, I do. 6 Baxter this, NHF that or whatever, it merely indicates 6 Q. Does this help you remember whether you met 7 that I had a meeting scheduled with them. And I can't 7 with Justice Department lawyers at any time prior to 8 8 say that it actually happened for certain. And what the date the Complaint was filed? 9 9 the subject was I can't say for certain, either. A. No, it doesn't. 10 10 Does that help? Q. Okay. And is the same -- is that your same 11 Q. It does. Thank you. 11 answer with regard to meeting with representatives of 12 Let's go to GH001502, "NHF." 12 the various states that are identified in your 13 Can you tell me what year this is? 13 Complaint? 14 A. I have a notation at the top that says '03. 14 A. Yes. 15 Q. Okay. That handwritten note at the top is 15 Q. It doesn't help you? 16 your note? 16 A. No. I mean, if you're -- I'll try and 17 A. My handwriting, yes. 17 offer you some help on this to at least put it in 18 18 Q. And was that created when you made the context. 19 19 copies of this? In the course of my job working with 20 20 A. Yes. And I did that, obviously, because various qui tam lawyers, it's quite common for me to 21 this particular page of the appointment book didn't 21 meet with state and FUCU units and the DOJ people 22 22 have the year on it. and -- the National Association of Medicaid Fraud and 23 23 Q. Okay. Where were you employed at the time? Control Units -- and to meet with them on behalf of A. In 2003? 24 24 clients. So, I do that all the time. Q. 2003. 25 25 So, when you say, well, go back a couple 86 years, and when did you meet with them, that's why I'm 1 A. I was an employee of Express Scripts. 1 2 2 That's when I was a customer of Baxter's. going I don't know. 3 3 MR. JACKSON: Okay. Let's go off the record. Q. Right. 4 4 (Deposition Exhibit Number 20 was (Discussion off the record.) 5 marked for identification.) 5 (Whereupon, at 12:48 p.m., the 6 (Document tendered to the 6 deposition was recessed, to 7 7 reconvene at 1:30 p.m., this same witness.) day, January 21, 2010.) 8 8 BY MR. JACKSON: 9 9 Q. Mr. Hamilton, let me show you what's been 10 marked as Deposition Exhibit 20. Deposition Exhibit 10 11 20 is an April 22, 2005 letter from Mr. Kleiman to the 11 12 Attorney General and Michael Theis. 12 13 13 Do you see that? 14 14 A. Yes, I do. 15 Q. Have you ever seen this document before? 15 16 A. I believe I have. 16 17 17 Q. It says in the second -- I'm sorry -- in 18 the first sentence, "I am pleased to forward to you 18 19 the Complaint along with this statement disclosing all 19 20 material evidence. The immediately available evidence 20 21 is scant. Only one of the two relators, Ms. Linnette 21 22 Sun, was employed by Baxter, and her opposition to the 22 23 practices described herein led to Baxter firing her 23 24 24 and giving her no opportunity to preserve documentary 25 25 evidence. The other relator, Mr. Greg Hamilton,

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89 91 1 (Whereupon, the deposition 1 Pete O'Malley had asked me to come out and 2 2 discuss contracting issues. He brought into the room resumed at 1:36 p.m.) 3 GREG HAMILTON, 3 people that he identified as Baxter contracting --4 4 called as a witness herein, having been previously people who work in their Contracting Department. And 5 5 duly sworn and having testified, was examined and he asked me to go through and explain to them how 340B 6 testified further as follows: 6 pricing worked, how it was calculated and 7 7 administered. And I did that. **EXAMINATION** (Resumed) 8 BY MR. JACKSON: 8 O. Now, is any of the information that took 9 9 place in that meeting regarding 340B the subject of Q. Mr. Hamilton, can I refer you back to 10 10 any of your claims in this Complaint that is Exhibit Deposition Exhibit 6, your Declaration, please? 11 11 A. Yes. 12 A. No, not specifically. 12 Q. In paragraph 2, the final sentence, you Q. In paragraph 4, the first sentence is the 13 refer to, "Those meetings specifically concerned the 13 14 pricing of several of the Baxter products discussed in 14 following: "While serving in those positions I 15 frequently met with Baxter's senior management to 15 the Complaint." 16 discuss the market for hemophilia products." 16 Do you see that? 17 17 Do you see that? Yes, I do. 18 A. Yes, I do. 18 Q. What pricing were you referring to? 19 19 A. The ones -- and again, pricing is a big Q. Do you remember specific conversations you had with senior management regarding hemophilia 20 subject. We had discussed -- let me read the 20 21 21 product pricing? paragraph first. A. Well, --22 (Short interruption.) 22 23 23 BY THE WITNESS: Q. I'm sorry. The market for hemophilia. You 24 don't say "pricing" there. You say, "market." 24 A. Again, "pricing" is kind of a big word. 25 So, when I refer to "pricing," I'm referring to the 25 A. Yes. There is one conversation that I do 90 92 remember very specifically. I'll address the others 1 price that Baxter was selling to me as a client. 1 2 BY MR. JACKSON: 2 after I address this first one. 3 3 Q. At Express Scripts? And that was -- it was when we met with 4 A. That is correct. So, of course, some of 4 Larry Guiheen. And this was -- oh, I'm going to guess 5 the stuff would have been basically, you know, 5 this was within six months of Advate's launch. And I 6 contract negotiations. Certainly part of -- you know, 6 met with Larry at some sort of a trade show. It could 7 7 with every price of what a customer or a manufacturer have been NHF. But I do remember it was in an exhibit 8 sells their drug for there's also the accompanying AWP 8 hall. I can picture where we were. 9 9 that goes along with that. So, we were in an exhibit hall, and we were 10 10 In addition to that, we also discussed on talking about Advate. I expressed to Larry that my opinion that they had come out with, they'd launched 11 several occasions what's called PHS, otherwise known 11 12 12 with too high of a premium for Advate over their other as 340B pricing. 13 Q. All right. So, let's -- I understand when 13 product and the comparable products, the recombinant 14 you refer to some of those communications referred to 14 products, and that they came out just too high and 15 the price to Express Scripts. What was your 15 they needed to drop that price. 16 communication with Larry Guiheen or Peter O'Malley 16 And I felt that his uptake on conversions 17 17 regarding AWP? from other factor products to Advate was being 18 18 A. I actually -- I mean, I can't tell you any inhibited by the extensive or excessive margin. You 19 specific time and exactly what we talked about. 19 know, they were charging too much for it in comparison 20 Q. Okay. With regard to the PHS, the 340B 20 to the other drugs. 21 pricing, can you tell me what you discussed with these 21 And I remember suggesting, you know, if you 22 gentlemen as you reference in paragraph 2? 22 could just drop that 7 or 8 cents or whatever the 23 A. I can. There was one particular time, and 23 number was at the time, I think that you could reduce 24 24 I can't tell you what the date was, but it was one of the differential to where it's not a deal breaker for 25 25 the meetings I had at Baxter headquarters. insurance companies and people aren't gonna go, "Wait

a minute. 15 cents a unit times a couple hundred thousand units a year, prove to me that Advate's that much better," which, of course, would be a very difficult thing to do because it's a conceptual issue.

So, I made that point, and I said, "If you could get it down to where it's, you know, 5 cents, 6 cents, I don't think you'd have the push back and you could convince the patients, you know, to recommend or to ask their doctor for a switch and that they could then get it through the insurance companies."

So, that was one very, very specific discussion we had on pricing. It was of Advate.

- Q. Do you remember when Advate launched?
- A. Yeah. It was, like, spring of 2003, summer of 2003, somewhere in there.
- Q. And when you say "launched," do you mean actually can start making sales?
- A. Yeah. I forget the approval date, but we can look that up. I think it was approved in, I don't know, April, May, something like that. But there wasn't a great delay from when it was approved to when it was launched. It was probably, I don't know, two months at the most.
- Q. Okay. And when you say -- this is my term, my phrase, "uptake or uptick over its other products,"

1 it a second thought in terms of paying.

And so, therefore, they'd be able to convert patients from current therapies, whether it be theirs or someone else's, to Advate more rapidly than what they were doing.

- Q. Okay. So, from your perspective you did not believe that the market price of Advate, the new therapy, that the delta was not justified by the difference in the products?
- A. Yes. But let me say justified in the minds of the people who were actually paying the bill, the payers, okay? And the delta was so large that it got their attention. And that was the key. First of all, it got their attention. The delta was so large that it jumped out, you know.

And all of a sudden the claims were bigger than they were before and the dollar signs caught their attention. That brought scrutiny to the product. And that made people then question is this new product worth that much more than what the other one is?

And, of course, Baxter was standing up straight and saying, "Recombinate's a very safe drug and it treats Factor VIII." And they were saying all these wonderful things about Recombinate. As a matter

did you mean the price that Baxter would sell to the market over the price it would sell to the market for Recombinate?

A. Yes. The difference -- what I was trying to point out was that the difference -- Recombinate was selling for, let's say, 89 cents at the time. And when they launched Advate, it came out as a buck 15 ballpark. And so, the difference between 89 cents and \$1.15 was just too great.

O. For what?

A. For universal acceptance, for insurance companies, for payers to say, "Yeah, it's worth it. I'll pay that much more." Because if they're going to pay an extra 20 cents a unit and patients are using anywhere from a hundred thousand to a million units a year, that turns out to be a lot of dollars. And it got people's attention.

So, the difference was so great -- it's kind of like pricing that's called the noticeable difference curve. It was the same thing. It was so noticeable that it got attention.

Had the number been smaller, it would have passed through without people scrutinizing it and more -- and patients would have been accepted and insurance companies wouldn't have even probably given

of fact, they were saying the same thing about the
plasma products. Yeah, plasma products are perfectly
safe. Recombinate's perfectly safe.

Okay. Why do you want to spend 15, 20,

Okay. Why do you want to spend 15, 20, 20-some cents more for another safe product? Does it treat the bleed any better? Well, no. Well, then, why this huge premium?

And that -- again, the delta was so big that it was getting insurance companies', what I call payers, attention, and it was inhibiting their conversion rate.

- Q. Conversion rate, again just to understand, you mean converting from some other form of factor up to Advate?
- A. Let's not say "form" because then you get into whether it's Factor VIII or Factor IX.
- Q. I don't mean that.
- A. I don't, either, but I just want to be clear. From some competitor, let's say, including themselves.
- Q. Got it. Switching from a previously used product to Advate?
 - A. Factor VIII product to Advate, yes.
- Q. Okay. I understand.

All right. In paragraph 4 the third line

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97 1 1 up, fourth line up, it says, "I also made at least give you an example, in which you and Miss Sun allege 2 three trips to Baxter's Deerfield, Illinois offices to 2 that Baxter has violated certain provisions of the 3 meet with Baxter managers to discuss pricing." 3 various state laws and federal laws beginning in 1998. 4 Now, you've already told me about the 340B 4 Yet in Exhibit 21, page 2, you seem to say 5 5 conversation. And that's kind of in the next several that your Complaint is based upon events that first 6 occurred in 2000. Second sentence, paragraph 3, third 6 sentences. 7 7 full paragraph: "This scheme was based on FDB's 2000 Do you remember what the other two meetings 8 8 were about? consent decree with the Department of Justice, and 9 9 consequently could not have been publicly disclosed in A. Not specifically, no. 10 Q. Okay. If you turn to paragraph 6, you 10 any of the earlier filed Complaints cited by Baxter." 11 reference it this paragraph 6 of your Declaration that 11 Do you see that? 12 is Deposition Exhibit 6, you reference a meeting with 12 A. Yes, I do. 13 13 Larry Guiheen about Baxter's pricing of Advate. Q. So, are you complaining about events that 14 Is this the conversation that you and I 14 occurred prior to 2000, or are you complaining about just had about the moving -- what's a good way to 15 events that occurred after this 2000 date? 15 16 describe the conversation we had? A marketing issue? 16 A. You know, you referenced the 1998 stuff. 17 A. It's pricing and marketing. 17 It is in the sections -- and I just have to defer to 18 18 O. Okav. Mr. Kleiman on that because all that legal stuff was 19 19 A. And yes, that is the conversation I'm his. I just put, you know, put in what I knew. 20 20 referring to. Q. And all I want to understand is what you 21 21 believe. Mr. Kleiman and I will have lots of Q. Okay. Got it. 22 In paragraph 7 you refer to your time at 22 conversations about these issues. 23 23 Express Scripts and Curascript and you talk about how But when I look at the Complaint, I see 24 you, quote, interacted with Baxter's pricing managers, 24 allegations that relate back prior to 2000. Yet in 25 close quote. 25 your Opposition, which is Exhibit 21, it seems to 98 100 premise the allegations on something that occurred in 1 Do you have any specific memory of pricing 1 2 2 conversations then? 2000. 3 3 Which is it to your knowledge? A. No. 4 4 A. Page 2 that I refer to says, "Relators' Q. And in the last sentence of paragraph 7 you 5 also reference, quote, numerous discussions with them 5 allegations are based on Baxter's intentionally 6 about pricing strategies. 6 forcing First DataBank (FDB) to misreport Baxter's 7 7 Do you remember what the subject of those prices for biological products by refusing to give FDB 8 8 pricing discussions were in paragraph 7? any WAC information. " 9 9 A. I do not remember specific discussions. A couple of things here. First of all, 10 10 (Deposition Exhibit Number 21 was yes, this aspect of the case was only 2000 going 11 forward, okay? Yes. 11 marked for identification.) 12 12 I would also say that when it says here, (Document tendered to the 13 13 "by refusing to give First DataBank any WAC witness.) 14 14 information," I think that's true, but I think that it BY MR. JACKSON: goes further into which WAC information they provide. 15 15 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as 16 Deposition Exhibit 21. Deposition Exhibit 21 is the 16 But in this case any WAC, I suppose, covers that. 17 17 Memorandum in Opposition to Baxter International I'm venturing off into the Law Department 18 18 Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss Relators' Complaint. here, but the part of the case that has to do with 19 Do you see that? 19 First DataBank certainly is post-2000. 20 20 Q. Okay. So, let's back up. Now, how did you A. Yes, I do. 21 21 Q. I have a generic question for you, sir. In know -- strike that. 22 22 Didn't you previously tell me that you the Complaint --A. Is this a generic question coming from a 23 23 learned about what Baxter was telling First DataBank 24 24 via your communication with Kay Morgan? brand manufacturer? 25 25

A. Yes.

Q. -- there are repeated allegations, and I'll

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Q. Okay. Let's now turn to the Complaint, which is Deposition Exhibit 7. Paragraph 24 on page 9 includes the following language: "Prior to May of 2000 FDB's misreporting of price information was suspected or known by state Medicaid agencies."

Did you provide that information to the Complaint?

A. I did, but I may not have been the only person that provided that.

Q. I'm just interested in your knowledge and information.

How did you know that? How did you know what state Medicaid agencies knew?

A. Well, because I had personally dealt with several state Medicaid agencies, both while I was at Bayer and while I was at Express Scripts. So, you know, I had personally talked to and met with, you know, the Texas Drug Vendor Program, Jerry Weiss down in Florida and various other people who openly discussed the fact that, you know, we know the AWPs aren't right.

Q. Now, in the next sentence of paragraph of 24 you refer to a "May 2000 FDB agreement with the Justice Department."

Do you see that in the second sentence?

that there was a problem with AWPs, and the DOJ was looking for a way to contain, I guess would be the way to put it, the problem.

So, because First DataBank was the data bank that all the state Medicaid agencies used, the DOJ went to First DataBank and said, "From now on you are not to take AWP information from the manufacturers. You're just not to -- if they give it to you, you don't accept it. You don't publish what they tell you to publish. Here's how you're going to calculate AWPs."

And they gave them a methodology that they were to use from that point forward to calculate AWP.

Q. What was that methodology?

A. First DataBank was instructed to take the WAC or wholesale acquisition cost, otherwise known as wholesale selling price, from a manufacturer and then to go to the -- to a group of wholesalers and do a survey, survey the wholesalers as to what they would mark this product up. And they did it by labeler code.

But anyway, they were to go to the wholesalers and ask them to tell them what their markup would be. This is on not pass-through contracts, but on what they would charge to a

A. Yes, I do.

Q. What can you tell me about that May 2000 agreement between FDB and the Department of Justice?

A. Well, I think that some of this comes out of the case I was involved with with Bayer and that the Department of Justice was looking for some sort of a solution to the, quote, unquote, AWP problem.

And it was one thing to settle with a company like Bayer retroactively, but one of the issues was, you know, how do they resolve this problem going forward. And not just with Bayer, but with many manufacturers.

And so, at the time the practice was, and I can tell you, you know, as someone who did it, all three data banks, Medispan, Red Book and First Data, would request from the manufacturers their AWPs.

"What do you want your AWP to be?"

I would get a form, and it would have all of our drugs on it and, you know, columns and rows, and it would have your current AWP in there and then a blank for what do you want it to be next time.

And this was how AWPs were done at that time. The manufacturer just picked their AWP.

Once it became an issue, this was, you know, with the Unicare case and others, that AWPs --

1 retail-type customer, what markup hey would have for 2 that labeler code.

They were to then do a weighted average of wholesalers. And whatever that multiplier was, which we all know now is typically 1.2 or 1.25, they would then say that that is the multiplier for that labeler code. They would then take that multiplier and multiply that times the WAC, and that would determine the AWP.

Q. Now, does your Complaint allege that Baxter did not give a WAC to First DataBank?

A. Yes.

Q. And what did Baxter give to First DataBank?

A. According to Kay Morgan, they received a letter from Baxter stating that -- stating their list price, and they called it list price, was \$1.31 and that they wanted an AWP also to be \$1.31.

Q. All right. And then you've already talked to me about your conversation with Kay Morgan, right?

A. I believe we have, yes.

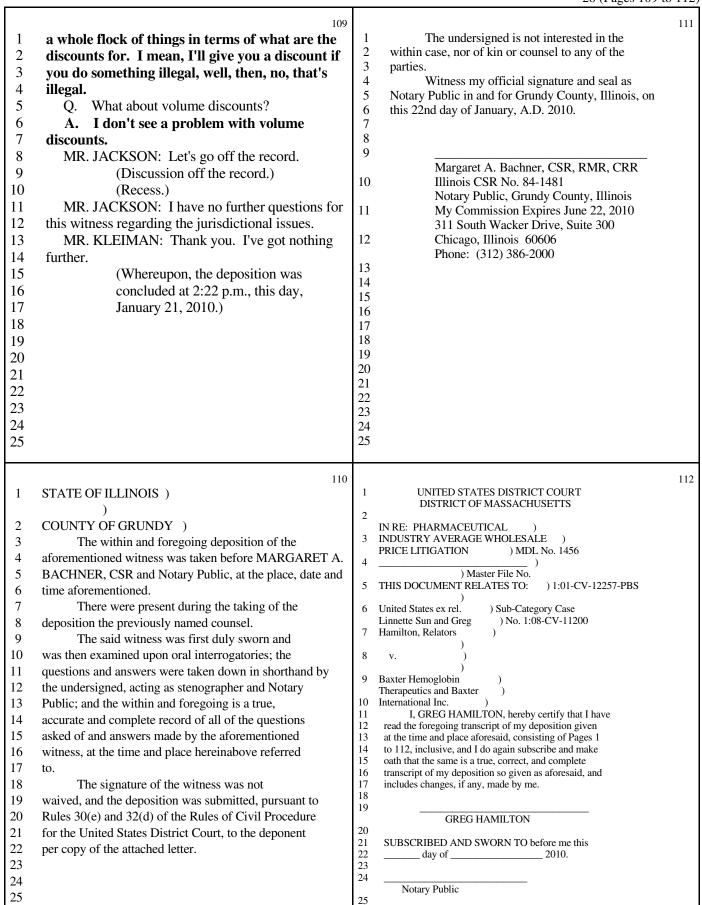
Q. Okay. Can I have you turn to page 17 of the Complaint, Exhibit 7? After paragraph 48 there is bold and highlighted language, "Best Price And Stark Violations."

The first sentence says -- I'm sorry.

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105 107 1 1 The first sentence, paragraph 49: "Baxter of this Complaint in connection with Stark violations? 2 had a marketing practice of offering 'Volume Committed 2 A. Again I don't know what Stark violations 3 Contracts' to institutional healthcare providers (such 3 are, so I don't know if I had any input. 4 4 as hospitals, nursing homes and home health Q. If you look at paragraph 52, it says, "The 5 5 agencies)." discounts Baxter offered to institutional providers 6 6 under the Volume Committed Contracts also violated Do you see that? 7 7 A. Yes, I do. Stark II, 42 U.S. Section 1395nn which prohibits 8 8 Q. Do you believe that there's something wrong compensation arrangements such as Volume Committed 9 about volume committed contracts? 9 Contracts between entities such as Baxter, which 10 10 furnishes goods or services, and healthcare providers, A. No. 11 Q. I'm sorry? 11 which are in a position to order or refer patients for 12 12 the receipt of such goods or services." A. No. 13 Q. Okay. Then is there -- what is Baxter's Does that help you refresh your 13 14 practice regarding volume committed contracts that you 14 recollection what the Stark act might or might not do? 15 believe give rise to best price or Stark violations? 15 MR. KLEIMAN: Assumes facts not in evidence. 16 A. Well, first of all, let me say that this 16 Go ahead. 17 section comes from Linnette Sun. 17 BY THE WITNESS: 18 A. When you say "helps," it gives me a little 18 Q. Okay. 19 19 bit more information, but I still don't know. A. Maybe that's -- I've said enough. 20 20 Q. No, I'm just trying to understand. It BY MR. JACKSON: 21 appears that something's wrong with volume committed 21 Q. Okay. And do you know anything about 22 contracts. And you said you don't think that 22 Baxter's practices vis-a-vis volume committed 23 23 anything's wrong with volume committed contracts. contracts? 24 A. That's correct. 24 A. No. 25 Q. Okay. Do you believe that Baxter -- that 25 In paragraph 58 of the Complaint that's 106 108 1 as a result of volume committed contracts Baxter has 1 Deposition Exhibit 7 there are allegations that relate 2 done something wrong, impermissible or illegal with 2 to AMPs. Do you know what an AMP is? 3 regard to best price? 3 A. Sure. Average manufacturer's price. 4 A. I don't know. 4 Q. Do you have any information regarding 5 Q. What is best price? Do you know? 5 Baxter's practices regarding calculating AMPs or BPs? 6 A. You want the version prior to 2007? 6 A. No, I do not. 7 7 Q. I want whatever your definitions are. Q. Do you believe that volume committed 8 A. Well, CMS published -- I'm sure you're 8 contracts, the use of volume committed contracts 9 9 familiar with the Deficit Reduction Act's changes in constitutes a violation of the Anti-Kickback Act? 10 10 definitions on best price and ANP that was Published MR. KLEIMAN: Incomplete hypothetical. 11 in fall of 2007. But this case is prior to that, so I 11 BY MR. JACKSON: 12 think we're looking at that definition of best price. 12 Q. You can answer the question. 13 13 A. I'm not -- I'm not well-versed enough on And best price is, I believe, defined in 14 the Social Security Act as the lowest price offered by 14 anti-kickback to tell you whether it does or doesn't. 15 15 a manufacturer net of all rebates, terms and BY MR. JACKSON: 16 conditions. 16 Q. Do you believe that a manufacturer who 17 17 provides discounts to a purchaser, that those Q. Do you have any information that would suggest that Baxter failed to calculate best price in discounts are improper or illegal in any way? 18 18 19 an appropriate way? 19 A. Well, --20 A. No, I do not. 20 MR. KLEIMAN: Calls for a legal conclusion. 21 Q. Do you believe that volume committed 21 BY THE WITNESS: 22 contracts create Stark violations? 22 A. Yeah, I think that's --23 A. I don't know for sure what Stark violations 23 BY MR. JACKSON: 24 Q. Go ahead. are. 24 25 25 Q. Did you have any input to the allegations A. It's really vague. I suppose it depends on

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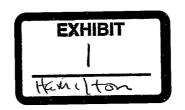
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NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF RELATOR GREG HAMILTON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Rule 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendant Baxter International Inc., by its attorneys Dickstein Shapiro LLP, notices the deposition of Relator Greg Hamilton on a date and time, and at a place, to be determined. The deposition will be recorded stenographically and will continue from day to day until completed.



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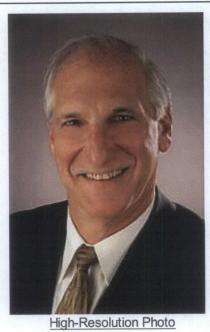
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Yeager practiced in California since she was graduated from Cornell Law member of the Wisconsin bar, she clerked for the Hon. Justice N. Patrick (Wisconsin Supreme Court for the 2000-2001 term. Before and after her clewomen and the Law" during summer sessions at the University of Wiscor

Prior to qui tam litigation, Yeager practiced in the areas of employment dis rights, and consumer fraud for more than 15 years. Her employment discrimination work includes representing landmark decision from the Wisconsin Supreme Court that reversed a finding of immunity for the University of \

Among highlights of her legal career is a consumer fraud action for which she was named a finalist, with Kleima Trial Lawyer of the Year Award by Trial Lawyers for Public Justice. Yeager also served as co-counsel in the finance harassment trial in Marin County, California, resulting in the highest award against the State at the time for suc

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Drug Expert Greg Hamilton, Sr.

Greg Hamilton, our drug marketing expert in this case, has 31 years of exp specialty pharmacy, pharmaceutical and biotech expert, which includes ma business development, and government contracting. He also is a subject n regarding product reimbursement, Medicaid/Medicare implications and gov contracting.

With an MBA in Marketing and Finance and a Bachelor of Science in Busir Science, Hamilton has 20 years of experience as a pharmaceutical, nutritic account executive for major drug manufacturers.

For one drug manufacturer Hamilton served as Associate Manager and the Contract Sales and Federal Affairs, positions in which he was responsible submission of AMP and Best Price data.

As a Senior Product Manager, Hamilton authored the business settlement Medicaid Fraud allegations over alleged manipulation of Average Wholesale Prices. The agreement with Medic U.S. Department of Justice provided financial and business practice elements, which permitted the manufactur participant in Medicaid, PHS (340b), and the Federal Supply Schedule.

Most recently, Hamilton served as the Vice President for the Bleeding Disorders Programs of a special pharma national pharmacy benefit management company. Hamilton created a hemophilia program within the division, w years, generated \$25 million in revenue.

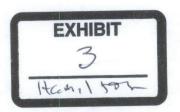
Previously, as a Senior Director of Strategic Sales for parent company he developed product launch programs companies, including channels and methods of distribution, pricing, packaging, reimbursement and promotion.

Hamilton received his Bachelor's Degree from Western Michigan University and his Master's from Illinois Institu Stuart School of Management, Chicago.

Greg Hamilton's Resume

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Greg Hamilton

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Specialty Pharmacy Expert • Thirty-one years Pharmaceutical Experience

Executive Summary

Innovative specialty pharmacy, Pharmaceutical, and Biotech expert with proven track record and quantifiable achievements. Experience in marketing, sales, business development, and government contracting. Earned MBA in Marketing and Finance and a Bachelor of Science in Business and Political Science.

Executive Highlights

As Vice President of Bleeding Disorders Programs, created Hemophilia Program that grew to over 120 patients and more than \$25M a year in revenue. This program utilized an entirely new sales method while introducing the PBM and its clients to Hemophilia care and service.

As Senior Director of Strategic Sales, introduced a consulting service to ESI/SDS and its customers. In conjunction with promoting SDS's services to the BioTech and Pharmaceutical industries increased revenue and value by providing clients with product launch stratigies/tacticts covering pricing, packaging, promotion, reimbursement, and channels of distribution. These consulting agreements resulted in thousands of dollars in revenue and three exclusive distribution programs.

As Senior Product Manager, created the Bayer Direct Program. This program saved the lives of over 200 patients who were not able to procure their prescribed medication due to inefficient distribution channels. Bayer Direct involved Bayer distributing their Orphan Drug, Prolastin, directly to patient via a dedicated specialty pharmacy (operated under contact by Express Scripts).

As Senior Product Manager, authored the business settlement resolving a Medicaid Fraud lawsuit over alleged manipulation of AWP's. This agreement with the Medicaid States and the DOJ provided both financial and business practice elements, which allowed Bayer to continue to participate in Medicaid, PHS (340b), and Federal Supply Schedule.

As Senior Product Manager, developed and implemented contracting and pricing strategies for both pharmaceutical and biological products. These measures generated over \$20MM annually.

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Career Development

CuraScript Pharmacy

Vice President - Bleeding Disorders Programs

2004 - 2006

Speciality Pharmacy division of Express Scripts.

- Created a hemophilia program within the specialty pharmacy business unit Curascript.
- Grew program to \$25M in revenue in under three years
- Developed program strategic direction, pricing and management.
- Negotiated supplier agreements with National Plasma producers

Express Scripts, Inc.

Specialty Distribution Services Senior Director Strategic Sales

2000 - 2003

Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) Fortune 100 company.

- Expanded Specialty Distribution Services into bio-tech drugs.
- Developed product launch programs for biotech companies. Programs provided all aspects of launch including channels and methods of distribution, pricing, packaging, reimbursement and promotion.
- Subject matter expert regarding product reimbursement, Medicaid/Medicare implications and government contracting.

Independent Consultant

Principle 1999 – 2000

Provided consulting services to Bayer and Express Scripts.

- Generated \$500M of incremental revenue between Bayer and Express Scripts through the implementation and operationalization the Bayer Direct Program.
- Developed new pricing strategies for numerous Bayer products.
- Produced target list of potential bio-tech customers for Express Scripts.

Bayer A.G.

Senior Product Manager

1998 - 2000

Created Bayer Direct, an integrated distribution business model for Prolastin.

- This revolutionary new business saved over 200 patient lives and generated \$14M of incremental profit per year.
- Overall pricing & channels of distribution for all Biological Products.
- Review all Medicaid and Medicare pricing issues.
- Primary business expert liaison in-house and external (Sidley and Austin) in government suit alleging AWP based Medicaid Fraud,

Manager, Marketing Research

1996 - 1997

Primary research on both Biological & Pharmaceutical products.

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 Provide marketing/sales with recommendations on pricing, channels of distribution, and promotional issues.

Manager Contract Sales and Federal Affairs

1995 - 1996

- FSS negotiations with National Acquisition Center for both biologics and pharmaceuticals
- Monitor public and private reimbursement for biological products and recommend pricing/marketing.
- Review all Medicaid rebates and issues for Biological Products.
- Provide marketing/sales with recommendations on pricing, channels of distribution, and promotional issues.

Associate Manager Contract Sales and Federal Affairs

1997 - 1998

- Calculation and Submission of AMP & Best Price.
- Calculation and Submission of Non-FAMP.
- FSS negotiations with National Acquisition Center.
- Profitability Analysis by Channels of Distribution.
- Projection / Evaluation of Marketing Incentives.

Account Executive 1973 - 1993

Pharmaceutical, Nutritional, and Biological account executive for Abbott (ten years), Schering Plough (three years) and Cutter/Miles/Bayer (seven years).

EDUCATION

Illinois Institute of Technology - 1978 Stuart School of Management, Chicago, IL Master of Business Administration - Marketing & Finance

Western Michigan University - 1972
Kalamazoo, MI
Bachelor of Science in Business and Political Science

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Gender Restriction: Age Minimum: Age Maximum: Maintenance Drug: Max Qty Retail: Max Qty MO: Days Supply Retail: Days Supply MO: This is a summarization of limits for this drug and does not contain all plan limitations.

For additional dispensing information view all Dispensing Limits.

To determine benefit specific limitations perform a Coverage Check.

Unit Dose:EA Strength:1000000 Package Size:1.000 Unit Dose Package:No Repackaged:No DESI:No Dosage Form:INJ GPI:BRAND Source Indicator:MULTI-SOURCE Status;ACTIVE Obsolete Date:12/31/9999 DEA Classification:

Manufacturing:BAXTER-HYLAND Therapy Class:000125000 HEMOSTATICS Generic Code:000000596 FACTOR VIII (ANTIHEMOPHL FCTR) OTC/Legend:FEDERAL LEGEND AWP History:05/13/2004 \$1.7500 08/25/2003 \$1.8800



RECOMBINATE

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Gender Restriction: Age Minimum: Age Maximum: Maintenance Drug: Max Qty Retail: Max Qty MO: Days Supply Retail: Days Supply MO: This is a summarization of limits for this drug and does not contain all plan limitations.

For additional dispensing information view all Dispensing Limits.

To determine benefit specific limitations perform a Coverage Check.

Unit Dose:EA Strength:310000 Package Size:1.000 Unit Dose Package:No Repackaged:No DESI:No Dosage Form:INJ GPI:BRAND Source Indicator:MULTI-SOURCE Status:ACTIVE Obsolete Date:12/31/9999 DEA Classification:

Manufacturing:BAXTER-HYLAND Therapy Class:000125000 HEMOSTATICS Generic Code:000000596 FACTOR VIII (ANTIHEMOPFIL FCTR) OTC/Legend:FEDERAL LEGEND AWP History:06/26/2001 \$1.6250 07/19/1998 \$1.2800 09/07/1997 \$1.2400

BEBULIN

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Gender Restriction: Age Minimum: Age Maximum: Maintenance Drug: Max Qty Retail: Max Qty MO: Days Supply Retail: Days Supply MO: This is a summarization of limits for this drug and does not contain all plan limitations. For additional dispensing information view all Dispensing Limits. To determine benefit specific limitations perform a Coverage Check.

Unit Dose:EA Strength:700000 Package Size:1.000 Unit Dose Package:No Repackaged:No DESI:No Dosage Form:INJ GPI:BRAND Source Indicator:SINGLE-SOURCE Status:ACTIVE Obsolete Date:12/31/9999 DEA Classification:

Manufacturing:BAXTER-HYLAND Therapy Class:000125000 HEMOSTATICS Generic Code:000000595 FACTOR IX COMPLEX (HUMAN) OTC/Legend:FEDERAL LEGEND

AWP History:01/15/2005 \$0.9000 11/16/2001 \$0.7250

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HEMOFIL-M

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Drug DetailMedication:00944293501 HEMOFIL-M 200-1,500 UNITS VIAL Formulary Status:Formulary Formulary Policy:V/O - vol form/vol BBI Alternatives: Drug Class:01 CPC Indicator:Yes Category:

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Manufacturing:BAXTER-HYLAND Therapy Class:000125000 HEMOSTATICS Generic Code:000000596 FACTOR VIII (ANTIHEMOPHL FCTR) OTC/Legend:FEDERAL LEGEND AWP History:06/26/2001 \$1.2250 09/07/1997 \$0.9500 01/09/1992 \$0.9000

GAMMAGARD S/D 0.5 GM

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Gender Restriction: Age Minimum: Age Maximum: Maintenance Drug: Max Qty Retail: Max Qty MO: Days Supply Retail: Days Supply MO: This is a summarization of limits for this drug and does not contain all plan limitations. For additional dispensing information view all Dispensing Limits. To determine benefit specific limitations perform a Coverage Check.

Unit Dose:EA Strength:500000 Package Size:1.000 Unit Dose Package:No Repackaged:No DESI:No Dosage Form:INJ GPI:BRAND Source Indicator:SINGLE-SOURCE Status:ACTIVE Obsolete Date:12/31/9999 DEA Classification:

Manufacturing:BAXTER-HYLAND Therapy Class:000100000 lMMUNOLOGICALS AND VACCINES Generic Code:000004186 IMMUNE GLOBULIN - IV OTC/Legend:FEDERAL LEGEND AWP History:06/26/2001 \$81.0000 07/19/1998 \$64.8000 01/09/1996 \$54.9200

GAMMAGARD S/D 2.5 GM

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To determine benefit specific limitations perform a Coverage Check.

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GAMMAGARD S/D 5 GM

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4GAMMAGARD S/D 5 GM VL W/SET0094426200350000001.000MULTIACTIVE3

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For additional dispensing information view all Dispensing Limits.

To determine benefit specific limitations perform a Coverage Check.

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GAMMAGARD S/D 10 GM

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2GAMMAGARD S/D 10 GM VL W/ST00944262004100000001,000MULTIACTIVE1

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DECLARATION OF GREG HAMILTON

- I, Greg Hamilton, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am one of the Relators in United States ex rel Sun et al. v. Baxter. If called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently to the following based upon firsthand knowledge.
- 2. I have worked for pharmaceutical manufacturers and pharmacy benefit managers for over twenty years. During this time I have had extensive contact with Baxter's senior staff as a customer, a colleague and as a competitor. This contact has included numerous meetings Guiheen (the President of Baxter BioScience who is referred to in ¶45 of the Complaint) as well as his superior, Peter O'Malley. Those meetings specifically concerned the pricing of several of the Baxter products discussed in this Complaint.
- 3. From 2001 2004 I was the Senior Director of Strategic Sales and Planning at
 Specialty Distribution Services for Express Scripts, the Pharmacy Benefit Manager. From 2004 2006 I was the Vice-President of the Curascript Bleeding Disorder Program. (CuraScript is an operating division of Express Scripts.)
- 4. While serving in these positions I frequently met with Baxter's senior management to discuss the market for hemophilia products. Because the market for hemophilia products is extremely lucrative, national hemophilia meetings were typically attended by the leadership from concerned pharmaceutical companies and PBMs. At these conferences I would hold scheduled meetings with Larry Guiheen, who was then Baxter's Vice-President for North America, as well has his boss, Peter O'Malley. I also made at least three trips to Baxter's Deerfield, Illinois, offices to meet with Baxter managers to discuss pricing. At least one of those meetings took place at the request of Peter O'Malley, who was either Baxter's President of North American operations, or vice President of Sales. O'Malley asked me to meet with Baxter's contracting



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staff and describe how to price products for Government customers, and how pricing for the 340B program operates.

- 5. I had at least three such meetings with Baxter to discuss pricing in barely a year August 8, 2002, February 3, 2003, and September 26, 2003.
- 6. During one such meeting I had a long discussion with Larry Guiheen about Baxter's pricing of Advate (Baxter's version of Recombinant Factor VIII.) Within a few months of this meeting Baxter changed its price for Advate to within a penny of what I had recommended.
- 7. In addition to being a major customer of Baxter's through my work with Express Scripts and Curascript, I also interacted with Baxter's pricing managers as a competitor of Baxter's when I worked for Bayer. While working for Bayer, I served with Baxter executive Peter O'Malley on the Plasma Protein and Therapeutics Association's Reimbursement Committee, and Drug Recall Committee, and had numerous discussions with him about pricing strategies.
- 8. In addition to my direct discussions with Baxter managers, I learned of Baxter's pricing and some of the specific acts alleged in ¶¶ 36-40 of our complaint while trying to help Kay Morgan, Manager of Editorial Services for First Data Bank. In May or early June of 2001 Kay Morgan called and asked my opinion about why Baxter was refusing to provide its WAC for Recombinate. She told me that Baxter sent a letter saying that their list price was \$1.31 and they wanted their AWP reported as \$1.31. She told me that when she asked Baxter for the WAC, Baxter merely repeated that the list price for Recombinate was \$1.31 and that they wanted the AWP reported as \$1.31. Morgan told me that FDB was so mad that they threatened not to publish any information at all.

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- 9. Morgan told me that she, her boss, and the FDB legal department wrote a letter to Baxter threatening that FDB would refuse to publish the AWP information.
- 10. Morgan asked me what I thought Baxter was trying to accomplish by this. I told her that I thought Baxter's goal was to establish an AWP was attractive to the distributors, but to still be able to deny to the hemophilia community that it was Baxter's fault for the high AWP, and to blame FDB.
- 11. Throughout my years in the industry I was able to achieve a high level of understanding of Baxter's pricing structure from direct discussions with Baxter's senior management, as well as through the information given me by FDB.
- 12. The Market Research Bureau's PLASMA FRACTIONS MARKET IN THE US report is an annual publication for the Plasma industry. This industry is a classic oligopoly consisting of less than 7 manufacturers.
- 13. The Market Research Bureau was founded and is operated by Patrick Robert, a former Bayer employee and colleague. He left Bayer and created MRB in the mid 90's to provide the Plasma industry with a much needed data source. The standard source for the drug industry is IMS Health, however they do not audit/cover plasma products.
- 14. On September 13, 2009 I called The Market Research Bureau and spoke with Cindy Lynn, Patrick Robert's secretary. She told me that a single issue of this publication costs \$16,000, and that there are fewer than 20 subscribers, including manufacturers, a few specialty pharmacies, and a few 340d entities. She also told me that they do not sell or give any of their reports to university libraries or public libraries.

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Illinois that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 15th day of September, 2009, at Algonquin, Illinois.

/s/ Greg Hamilon

Greg Hamilton

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I, Mark Kleiman, an attorney, caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing, <u>MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.'S</u> <u>MOTION TO DISMISS RELATORS' COMPLAINT</u>, to be delivered to all counsel of record by electronic service on September 15, 2009, for the posting and notification to all parties.

By: __/s/ Mark Allen Kleiman

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Civil Action No. 05-cv-00736 (PSF) (MJW)

[UNDER SEAL],

Relators,

[UNDER SEAL],

Defendants.

AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES UNDER THE FEDERAL AND VARIOUS STATE FALSE CLAIMS ACTS

FILED IN CAMERA AND UNDER SEAL PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. §3730(b)(2)

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FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

Civil Action No. 05-cv-00736 (PSF) (MJW)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators,

STATE of ARKANSAS ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of CALIFORNIA ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of DELAWARE ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators,

DISTRICT of COLUMBIA ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of FLORIDA ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of HAWAII ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators,

STATE of ILLINOIS ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of LOUISIANA ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, COMMONWEALTH of MASSACHUSETTS ex rel Linnette Sun, and Greg Hamilton, Relators,

STATE of NEW MEXICO ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of NEVADA ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of TENNESSEE ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators,

STATE of TEXAS ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of UTAH ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, STATE of VIRGINIA ex rel LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, Relators, v.

BAXTER HEMOGLOBIN THERAPEUTICS; BAXTER INTERNATIONAL, INC. and Does 1-100, whose true names are unknown

Defendants

AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES UNDER THE FEDERAL AND VARIOUS STATE FALSE CLAIMS ACTS

FILED IN CAMERA AND UNDER SEAL PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. §3730(b)(2)

Relators, LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON, bring this action under the False Claims Act, as amended, 31 U.S.C. §3729 et. seq., as well as various state statutes, allege as follows:

INTRODUCTION

- 1. This is a *qui tam* action brought by LINNETTE SUN and GREG HAMILTON on behalf of the United States and various States to recover penalties and damages arising from fraudulent and illegal practices of Baxter Hemoglobin Therapeutics, a division of Defendant Baxter International, Inc. (hereinafter "Baxter"). Baxter makes a variety of specialized pharmaceutical, hematological, and infusion products, known in the industry as "biologics." Government programs reimburse healthcare providers who purchase these products based upon the published or posted Average Wholesale Price ("AWP"). Manufacturers, such as Baxter, are to report an accurate Wholesale Acquisition Costs ("WAC") to the database that calculates and publishes the AWPs based upon the reported WAC, First DataBank. Inc. ("FDB").
- 2. It is known throughout the industry and known to Baxter that FDB calculates this mark-up. Baxter controlled the published AWP by misreporting the WAC. Baxter provides to the States, directly and through submission of reports to drug pricing publishing services, what purports to be genuine pricing data for its products. This information is typically identified as the "Wholesale Acquisition Cost" ("WAC") and/or the "Average Wholesale Price" ("AWP") of particular products. Baxter intends the WAC to be understood by the state Medicaid agencies as the average price paid by a wholesaler to a manufacturer for a given product. Baxter intends the AWP to be understood by the state Medicaid agencies and other payors as the average

price charged by a drug wholesaler to its commercial customers for a given product.

- 3. The drug pricing publishing services in turn compile, publish and distribute compendia of such pricing information for each defendant's products. The drug pricing publishing services purport not to investigate the accuracy of the information provided by the manufacturers, and disclaim responsibility for their accuracy.
- 4. Baxter refused to report an accurate WAC. The vast bulk of Baxter's products at issue here are distributed by a class of business called non-charge back wholesalers. Instead, Baxter reported a "list sales price" which bore no relationship to the price charged in the marketplace to the actual wholesalers, but which was an inflated price charged to very few customers that distributed less than one percent of these products..
- 5. Baxter thus manipulated the AWP, knowing that health care providers who were being reimbursed based on AWP were indifferent to the cost of purchasing the drug, but instead focused on the "spread"—as it is known in the industry—between the cost and the AWP-based reimbursement. Because Baxter's spread was larger than competitors, its products were more attractive to these customers, and it could maximize its revenue.
- 6. States rely upon FDB's published AWP to reimburse providers, and assume that the published AWP is a reasonable indicator of the price paid for the drug. However, because Baxter falsely reported WAC to inflate the AWP and the spread, Baxter deceived the government, which then overpaid for the biologics at issue here.

THE PARTIES

- 7. Relator Linnette Sun is a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California. She has been a pricing and reimbursement specialist for ten years, working for Merck, Johnson & Johnson, & Amgen. She was then employed by Baxter as Director of Medical Outcomes Research and Economics, and as such was a pricing specialist there for more than a year, June 24, 2002 July 22, 2003. After telling her superiors and others at Baxter that she strongly opposed Baxter's practices and thought them to be fraudulent, she was fired.
- 8. Relator Greg Hamilton is a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Illinois. He is currently Vice President of the Bleeding Disorders Program for CuraScript, a Division of Express Scripts, Inc. He has over 30 years experience working in the pharmaceutical industry, including 13 years with Bayer. He is known as a pricing and reimbursement specialist and had advised pharmaceutical companies on the pricing of products, including biologics. He is aware of the pricing structure Baxter used, specifically, the correspondence between Baxter and FDB regarding Baxter's reporting of the improper WAC.

 Mr. Hamilton has an MBA from Illinois Institute of Technology.
- 9. Defendant Baxter International, Inc., Baxter Hemoglobin Therapeutics has its offices at 2545 Central Av., Suite FD1, in Boulder, Colorado and at One Baxter Parkway in Deerfield, Illinois. It is a division of Baxter International, Inc., a Delaware corporation, which is a global pharmaceutical company doing business in this judicial district with its principal executive offices at One Baxter Parkway in Deerfield, Illinois.

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JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 10. This is a civil action arising under the laws of the United States, and specifically, 31U.S.C. §3730, the "False Claims Act." Therefore, this Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 31 U.S.C. §3732 (a) and (b). Supplemental jurisdiction for Counts 5-22 arises under 28 U.S.C. §§1367, since these claims are so related to the federal claims that they form part of the same case or controversy under Article III of the U.S. Constitution.
- 11. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 31 U.S.C. §3732 (a) because Defendant Baxter transacts business in this district.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS HARMED BY DEFENDANTS'

FRAUDULENT AND ILLEGAL PRACTICES

MEDICARE AND MEDICAID

Administration (HCFA) and now the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) — administers the Medicare program, which is a system of health insurance for the aged (i.e., those over the age of 65 years) and disabled created under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1395, et seq. The Medicare program is comprised of two "Parts." Part B of the Medicare program authorized payment for certain drugs when a Medicare beneficiary must either (a) have the drugs administered in a physician's office, or (b) use a Medicare-approved mechanical aid or device (known as durable medical equipment) in order to receive the drugs at home. To assist in the administration of Medicare Part B, CMS contracts with Medicare carriers,

or insurance companies that provide a variety of services, including processing and paying Part B

claims and auditing cost reports.

13. Through CMS, HHS also administers the Medicaid Program, which provides health care benefits for certain groups, including the poor and the disabled, and which is funded in part from federal funds and in part by the State where the facility is located. 42 U.S.C.A. § 1396 et seq. and each State's plan for medical assistance approved by the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services (the "Secretary") and adopted by each State. The United States participates in each State's Medicaid by providing a federal contribution to funding the program. Those contributions vary based upon each State's per capita income, and range fifty percent, in the case of Colorado, for example, to 77.08% for Mississippi.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT MEDICARE PROGRAM

14. The Railroad Retirement Medicare program, is authorized by the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974, 45 U.S.C. §§231 et seq. It is administered through the United States Railroad Retirement Board, "RRB" and furnishes Medicare coverage to retired railroad employees.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

15. The Indian Health Service is responsible for providing comprehensive health services to more than 1,400,000 Native Americans. It is administered by the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2002, et seq. The statute authorizes the Secretary to enter into contracts with independent providers to furnish health services to Native Americans whenever the Secretary determines that independent providers can better meet a population's need.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS

16. The Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) is administered by the Office of Personnel Management ("OPM") pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §§ 8901, et seq. and provides health care coverage to federal employees and their dependents.

TRI-CARE

17. The Tri-Care program, formerly CHAMPUS, is administered by the United States
Department of Defense through its component agency, CHAMPUS, under the authority of 10
U.S.C. §§ 1071-1106, and provides for care in civilian facilities for members of the Uniformed
Services and their dependents.

VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION

18. Pursuant to 38 U.S.C.A. § 8126, and the regulations based thereon, and contracts the Veteran's administration had with manufacturers, drugs are furnished to the Veterans' Administration ("VA") by drug manufacturers.

§340B PROGRAM

19. In 1992 Congress enacted §340B of the Public Health Service Act. This law requires pharmaceutical manufacturers, including defendants herein, to provide a statutorily defined discount on outpatient drugs sold to institutions serving low-income communities, thereby allowing public hospitals, community health centers, and other entities to buy drugs for their patients at a reduced rate.

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BACKGROUND

20. There are approximately 65,000 different drug products in the United States market, including different doses of the same drug. Baxter manufactures and/or distributes (and thus sets the price) for the following drugs and biologics:

Advate	Bebulin	HemophilM	Recombinate
Aralast	FeibaH	Propelex	
Albumin	Gammagard S/D	Propelex LT	

Baxter's products are dispensed to patients by or through different types of medical providers including, *inter alia*, physicians who administer drugs in an office, home infusion pharmacies, retail pharmacies, and other medical providers.

- 21. States routinely cover out-patient prescription drugs as part of their Medicaid programs. Most States reimburse providers for those drugs based upon a percentage of the AWP, usually 85% of the AWP. Medicare reimburse providers who furnish covered drugs to beneficiaries the lower of the billed charge or 95% of the AWP pursuant to 42 CFR §405.17. Baxter's biologics are covered by Medicaid, Medicare and other government programs.
- 22. During all times material to this complaint, State Medicaid programs, and numerous other public and private programs, obtained AWP pricing information directly from FDB. FDB is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Hearst Corporation, which, among other things, gathers prescription drug information, including pricing and AWP. FDB publishes and distributes this information as a database which is regularly maintained.
- 23. Government and much commercial private reimbursement is based upon AWP published by FDB. However, there are several other pharmaceutical industry compendia that periodically compile, publish and distribute AWPs in printed and electronic media. These

compendia include the *Drug Topics Red Book* (the "Red Book"), the Annual Director of Pharmaceuticals and Essential Director of Pharmaceuticals (the "Blue Book"), and Medi-Span's Master Drug Database (MediSpan).

- 24. Prior to May of 2000 FDB's misreporting of price information was suspected or known by state Medicaid agencies. However, in May of 2000 FDB entered into an agreement with the Department of Justice and various states to stop reporting AWPs published by the manufacturers and to instead report them on the basis of market prices. FDB subsequently based its reports on surveys of wholesalers. The states were thus lulled into a false sense of security about the integrity of subsequent AWP reporting.
- 25. Medicaid, Medicare, and all other systems which base reimbursement rates for drugs on the published AWP rely upon the accuracy of the AWP, and, in turn, depend upon the honesty and accuracy of Baxter and other drug manufacturers in reporting WAC to FDB. As noted above, for biologics, FDB posts AWP by multiplying the reported WAC by 1.25. Manufacturers easily determine FDB's mark up by comparing the difference between the reported WAC and the published AWP, and are accordingly aware of what FDB's published AWP will be when they report WAC to FDB.
- 26. Providers regularly submit claims for reimbursement seeking payment for Baxter's products from Medicare, Medicaid, and from other federal payors. Manufacturers, including Baxter, were and are fully aware that these payors also rely on FDB's published reports of AWP to determine their reimbursement.
- 27. All pharmaceutical products <u>except</u> biologics are normally distributed through charge-back wholesalers. These wholesalers are Bergen Brunswig Drug Company, McKesson Drug Company, Cardinal Health, AmeriSource Health Corporation. However, manufacturers'

sales of biologics to charge-back wholesalers comprise less than 1% of the wholesale market for manufacturers of these specialized products.

28. Instead, the vast majority of biologics, such as the products Defendants manufactured, were typically distributed to providers by non-charge back wholesalers. These wholesalers include, but are not limited to: Chapin Medical, FFF Enterprises, CT International, ActSys Medical Inc., Williams Medical, Davis Enterprises, Paragon Scientific Corp., ASD Specialty Healthcare, IDP, Inc., Blood Diagnostics Inc., National Specialty Services, Florida Infusion, National Hospital Specialties, Alpine Biologics, Atlantic Business Organization, Health Coalition, J-Mark Enterprise, BioCare, BioScience, Western Medical Services, Davis Enterprises, Biomed Plus, Genesis Bio-Pharmaceuticals, Acysis, Whitmire Distribution Corp., Adam Diagnostic Laboratories, Alternate Site Distributors, Besse Medical Supply, Bindley Western, Bio Test, Bryan Biologicals, Inc., Capital Wholesale Drug, Casad Surgical Pharmacy, Cummumed, Dakota Drug, Diagnostic Marketing Corp, FD Titus & Sons, Inc., F. Dohmen Co., First Choice Medical Inc., General Drug Company, General Inj. & Vaccines, Inc., H D Smith Wholesale, Henry Schein Corp., Henry Schein Surgical, Immucor, Inc., Int'l Med Supply, J E Gold & Co, Martin Surgical Supply, Medical Blood Services, Medical Mart Inc, Medsource Corp, Metro Medical Supply Inc., Micro Bio Medics, Morris and Dickson, Mullen & Haynes, National Hospital Specialties, NSS, Inc., Ohio Valley Clarksburg Inc., Organon Teknika Corp, Parks Inc., PSS, Quala Med Inc., R Weinstein Pharmaceutical, Roane Barker, Scientific Supply Company, Triad Medical Inc., Walsh-Lumpkin, Accord Clinical Labs, Alternate Site Distributors, Bellegrove Medical Supply, Bensons Surgical Supply Co., British Marketing Enterprises, Expert - Med Inc., Gas Medical, General Drug Company, Grove Way Medical Supply, Health Coalition, Physician Sales & Service, R Medical Supply, Summit Medical Supplies, Total Health Products, A. J. Buck & Sons Inc., Alternate Site Distributors, C F

Anderson Comp, Inc., Center Medical Supply, Central Supply, Emjay Medical Supplies Corp, Gamma Biologicals, Hawkeye Medical Supply, Interstate Blood Bank, Lake Erie Medical & Surgical, Medical Supply Corp of N.J., Paragon Scientific Corp., Ransdell Surgical Inc., Savoy Medical Supply Co., Shenandoah Medical Supply, Suncoast Surgical Supply, Tri State Physicians Supplies, United Medical Supply, Arizona Blood Services, Bio Care, Bio Med Plus, Blood Center of SE Wisconsin, Health Coalition, Inc., and Mediq Corporation.

29. The true wholesalers which distribute the bulk of the biologics for Baxter.as well as other manufacturers, are these non-charge back wholesalers. This has been reported by the Marketing Research Bureau Inc. in its study, *The Plasma Fractions Market in the United States* 2001. This study indicates that the first-tier of the non-charge back wholesalers distribute the overwhelming amount bulk of biologics, and that the remaining are sold directly to providers such as home health agencies or home health systems.

DEFENDANTS' ILLEGAL SCHEMES

Baxter has used the following schemes to cause state Medicaid programs and other payors to pay false claims:

WAC FALSIFICATION

30. In the case of biologics, Baxter employed what is known in the pharmaceutical industry as "class of trade pricing." Baxter sold the bulk of its biologics directly to providers. e.g., home health agencies and home health systems. Baxter offered the lowest prices to these providers, Baxter offered the next lowest prices to non-charge back wholesalers. These sales, varying by product, comprise up to 40% of Baxter's total sales of the products. At times, Baxter also offered its lowest prices to the non-charge back wholesalers as a marketing incentive. to

move product. The charge-back wholesalers, to which Baxter charged the highest prices, comprise less than 1% of Baxter's sales for the biologicals..

- 31. Although the charge-back wholesalers purchased less than 1% of the biologicals, Baxter reported to FDB that the high prices charged to this tiny market segment was its WAC. Baxter did this with the knowledge that FDB, would, in turn, use this information to calculate AWP, which would then be reported to state and federal health care programs described herein. Since the price charged to less than 1% of its market did not affect sales, Baxter could use it to manipulate the reimbursement system since the published AWP had no correlation to the price charged to the wholesalers that distributed nearly all of Baxter's biologicals.
- 32. The effect of Baxter's false reporting was that Baxter illegally increased the profitability, or spread, of these drugs to health care providers and pharmacies, thus giving a financial incentive for their selection and use. That is, if the spread for Baxter's product is greater than the spread for competing products, the provider will profit more by using Baxter's product. The only way to increase the spread is to either reduce the acquisition cost to the provider, or to inflate the reported AWP Medicare and Medicaid rely upon. Since lowering the sales price to providers would decrease Baxter's income, Baxter preferred instead to increase the spread by falsely inflating the AWP. Consequently, since Baxter sells the biologicals to providers at considerably less than the reported AWP, there is a substantial spread between what Medicare and Medicaid and other payors will pay, and there is an exorbitant amount of profit the provider can make on the sale of the product.
- 33. In fact, Baxter knew that the actual amounts charged to the non-charge back wholesalers distributors, as well as providers and others for their products, was not publicly available, because it was proprietary pricizing information. Baxter kept this information highly

confidential and secret to maximize its ability to maintain market share by providing the greatest reimbursement spread to these customers.

- 34. Baxter increased its revenue not only by gaining more market share by beating out competitors with a more attractive spread, but also by generating profit from increasing its sale price to the providers. So long as the providers made a profit from purchasing Baxter's products greater than the profit offered by a competitor's spread, they would be willing pay more for the product.
- 35. Baxter knew it could directly control and fabricate the AWP for their products by reporting to FDB the highest prices charged for the biologics, those charged to charge-back wholesalers.
- per unit, and FDB has accordingly published an AWP of \$1.6250 per unit. When a Medicare beneficiary receives a drug which is covered by Part B of Medicare, Medicare reimburses providers 80% of the allowable cost, which is 95% of the AWP. Thus, if the AWP for a drug is \$1.6250, the allowable cost is 95% of that, or \$1.548, and Medicare pays 80% of that sum, or \$1.235. Recombinate has been sold to providers for \$0.89 (or even less), making the spread, or the difference between the actual acquisition cost of \$0.89 and the Medicare payment of \$1.235 equals \$0.345 In addition, there is a 20% copay of 30.8¢ per unit. This nearly 65.3¢ per unit spread represents gross margin for the provider. Since the average patient consume approximately 125,000 units per year, this is \$81,625 in gross margin per patient per year to the provider.

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- 37. In the case of Medicaid reimbursement, at 85% of AWP, or \$1.381 per unit, the difference between that and the actual acquisition cost of \$0.89 is \$0.491. The nearly 50-cent per unit spread is also gross margin for the provider.
- Baxter's Mike Bradley, was Senior Director of National Account Economics, and was responsible for pricing and reporting Baxter's pricing to various databases. In approximately October 2001, Bradley told Relator Linette Sun that Baxter has repeatedly falsely described its WAC to FDB by reporting a cost described as "list sale price.", knowing that FDB would apply a 125% multiplier to estimate AWP. Sun was informed that since this improved the spread between AWP and the prices actually charged to physicians or other providers, this allowed Baxter to acquire greater market share. Bradley further told her that Baxter had known of this for years, but that they expected to shift the blame to FDB. Baxter management was adamant that it could not hit its sales targets without these incentives to the providers.
- 39. According to knowledge obtained by Relator Greg Hamilton, FDB refused to accept Baxter's "list sales price," and instead submitted a letter stating that their list price was \$1.31 and that they wanted their AWP to be described as \$1.31. Baxter did this knowing that FDB would (as in fact it did) ask what the WAC was. Baxter had also informed FDB the amounts Baxter wanted FDB to publish as the list price and AWP. FDB again told Baxter it had to provide WAC, and that if it continued to refuse to provide WAC, FDB would have to consider the list price provided as the WAC. Again, Baxter refused to provide any other number than "list sales price," and also refused to denote the "list sales price" as WAC.
- 40. FDB then used Baxter's "list sales price," and applied the 1.25 multiplier FDB obtained by researching the mark-up wholesalers applied.

- 41. Shortly thereafter Ms. Sun reviewed the FDB materials and was surprised to see the greatly inflated AWP. She promptly reported this to Nick Poulios who was, at the time, Baxter's Director of Medical Outcomes Research and Economics, who told her to bring this up at a meeting that was scheduled to discuss Baxter's pricing practices. This meeting was attended by Bradley, Poulios, as well as Mike Baldridge, Director of Planning, and Jill Kadam, Director of National Accounts Marketing. Bradley again acknowledged his awareness of the problem and admitted that this actually became a better financial arrangement for Baxter since it increased reimbursement rates. Bradley repeated that Baxter knew this all along, and that this benefitted Baxter. Bradley also tried to convince Sun that FDB was a little used information source.
- 42. After this meeting Ms. Sun contacted FDB directly and received an email from a sales manager who confirmed that FDB reports were purchased by the United States and by each State's government, and that the database was used by over 80% the insurance companies.
- 43. In July, 2002, Ms. Sun learned of a pricing report for Advate prepared by Simon Kucher & Partners, an international marketing consulting firm. Kucher & Partners recommended that to secure market share for Baxter had spent approximately \$750,000 for a marketing study for this new product. In order to secure market share Baxter decided to sell Advate for \$0.99 per dose, but to report an AWP of \$1.60. Ms. Sun voiced her concern to Nick Poulios, John Park, and the VP of Global Marketing. When she warned that Baxter could get into trouble John Park joked that it was all an "innocent" mistake.
- 44. In approximately October, 2002, Ms. Sun again voiced her concerns to Nick Poulios, who told her that all Marketing Management had known of this for years and had no intention of correcting it because, if they got in trouble with the government, they could blame FDB.

- 45. In April, 2003, Ms. Sun and Poulios informed Larry Guihinn, the President of Baxter BioScience of the inflated AWP and warned that this could get Baxter in trouble with the government. Guihinn stated that Bradley had told him that Ms. Sun was researching the report-reporting problem. Guihinn specifically forbade Ms. Sun from doing any further research, and specifically forbade Ms.. Sun or others from contacting FDB about this.
- 46. In the Spring of 2003 the Global Marketing group had a pricing meeting (called a margin analysis meeting) to discuss new drug pricing for one of Baxter's products, Advate, Ms. Sun noticed that the spread was between three and five times greater on Baxter's products than it was in the industry in general. Ms. Sun warned Poulios, Bradley, and Product Director Regina O'Hara that the spread was too great, before she was silenced by Poulios. The meeting participants were given a written margin analysis writeup. After the participants indicated their preferences for how to set the WAC, the AWP, and the spread, the participants were ordered to destroy the margin analysis report. Guihinn and John Park. Baxter's Global Product Director, commented that Baxter Management would go to jail if the government ever discovered this material.
- 47. In approximately July 2003, at a meeting with Baxter Human Resources personnel and Baxter management, to review Ms. Sun's performance (called a Talent Review Meeting) Poulios told Sun that Jim Howard, a vice-president of North American marketing said that Ms. Sun should visit Baxter customers so that she would understand that sales depended on the spread..

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48. Based upon internal documents she studied while working at Baxter, and discussions Ms. Sun had with pricing specialists and senior marketing executives, she learned that Baxter has engaged in similar falsification of WAC with respect to its other pharmaceutical, hematological, and biological products.

BEST PRICE AND STARK VIOLATIONS

- 49. Baxter had a marketing practice of offering "Volume Committed Contracts" to institutional health care providers (such as hospitals, nursing homes, and home health agencies).
- 50. The Volume Committed Contracts offered such providers discounts of between 50 90% off of the purchase price, depending upon the amount of market share the provider could shift in Baxter's direction. In an April, 2003 meeting to discuss pricing policy for Advate and Recombinate, Bradley declared that the U.S. marketing team was not worried about losing market share to competitors because they had Volume Committed Contracts for most of their products which would be in force for the next three years.
- 51. Baxter's policy was to be extremely secretive about these contracts because of their illegal nature. When Ms. Sun questioned Bradley about the legality of the Volume Committed Contracts, Bradley replied that Baxter's legal department would clean up the contracts' language, but that the use of the inducements contained in these contracts to control market share would continue unabated. Ms. Sun had the opportunity to see only one such contract, which was passed from hand to hand at a pricing meeting in April 2003. The contract was read by Relator, Poulios, and John Park (Defendant's Global Products Director). Bradley then demanded the contract back. Neither Ms. Sun nor any of the other executives were permitted to keep a copy of this contract.

STARK ACT VIOLATIONS

52. The discounts Baxter offered to institutional providers under the Volume Committed Contracts also violated Stark II, 42 US. §1395nn which prohibits compensation arrangements such as Volume Committed Contracts between entities such as Baxter, which furnishes goods or services, and health care providers, which are in a position to order or refer patients for the receipt of such goods or services.

BAXTER'S CONDUCT VIOLATED THE FEDERAL MEDICAID PROGRAM'S REBATE AND BEST PRICE REPORTING REQUIREMENT

- 53. The Medicaid program, established by Title XIX of the Social Security Act, is a uniquely cooperative federal-state program that provides medical assistance to certain low income individuals. See 42 U.S.C. §§ 1396 1396v.
- 54. Congress passed the Medicaid Best Prices Statute, 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8, as part of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. Under that statute, a drug manufacturer must enter into a Rebate Agreement with the Secretary in order for federal matching funds to be made available for that manufacturer's covered outpatient drugs. 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(a)(1).
- 55. The Rebate Agreement provides that the Secretary enters the agreement "on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services and all States and the District of Columbia (except to the extent they have in force an Individual State Agreement)." (Rebate Agreement at Preamble.) Upon entering a Rebate Agreement with the Secretary, the manufacturer must pay a quarterly rebate directly to each participating state based on all of the manufacturer's drugs purchased by that state pursuant to its Medicaid plan during that quarter.

- 56. For single source or innovator multiple source drugs, the rebate due on each unit paid for under the state plan is the difference between the average manufacturer price ("AMP")¹ and the manufacturer's best price, defined as the lowest price available from the manufacturer to any private purchaser or governmental entity (with certain exclusions) within the United States, or 15.1% of AMP, whichever is greater. 42 U.S.C. §1396r-8(c)(1), (2). For multiple source non-innovator drugs, the rebate is 11% of AMP. 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(c)(3). Each state must agree to cover all of the manufacturer's covered outpatient drugs unless the state complies with one of several statutory provisions allowing it to exclude or restrict coverage. 42 U.S.C. §§ 1396a(a)(54), 1396r-8(d). Any rebate amounts received by the state must be offset against the state's Medicaid expenditures that quarter for purposes of calculating the matching federal financial participation. 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(1)(B).
- 57. States may enter directly into Rebate Agreements with drug manufacturers as authorized by the Secretary. 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(a)(1). To date, the Secretary has approved supplemental drug Rebate Agreements in at least twenty states. States may also control their Medicaid drug costs and coverage by establishing prior authorization programs, 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(d)(1)(A), or by creating drug formularies, 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(d)(1)(B)(iv). Though not part of the rebate statute, states are also permitted to set payment rates with respect to covered drugs. See 42 U.S.C. § 1396(a)(30); 42 C.F.R. 447.331-447.333.
- 58. Drug manufacturers are required under the rebate statute and agreement to calculate and report their AMPs and best prices to the Secretary on a quarterly basis. 42 U.S.C. §

[&]quot;The term 'average manufacturer price' means, with respect to a covered outpatient drug of a manufacturer for a rebate period, the average price paid to the manufacturer for the drug in the United States by wholesalers for drugs distributed to the retail pharmacy class of trade, after deducting customary prompt pay discounts." 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(k)(1).

1396r-8(b)(3)(A)(i); Rebate Agreement at § II(e). Any information provided by a manufacturer or wholesaler under the rebate statute is confidential and "shall not be disclosed by the Secretary or a State agency . . . except as the Secretary determines to be necessary to carry out this section." 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(3)(D); Rebate Agreement at § VII. States are required to report their total Medicaid drug utilization to each manufacturer and the Secretary sixty days after the end of the rebate quarter. 4 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(2)(A). Using the manufacturer pricing data, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") computes the unit rebate amount ("URA") "to which the Medicaid utilization information may be applied by States in invoicing the Manufacturer for the rebate payment due." Rebate Agreement at § I(dd).

AMPs and best prices, 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(3)(B), and may audit manufacturer calculations of AMP and best price, Rebate Agreement at § III(c). The Secretary may impose civil money penalties on manufacturers that either fail to timely report their pricing information or submit false information to the Secretary. 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(3)(C); Rebate Agreement at §§ III, IV. Section 1396r-8(b)(3)(C)(ii) also provides that any civil money penalties imposed under this subsection are "in addition to other penalties as may be prescribed by law." The Secretary may terminate the Rebate Agreement for either violations of the Rebate Agreement or for other good cause shown. 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(4)(B)(i). The statute further provides:

Such termination shall not be effective earlier than 60 days after the date of notice of such termination. The Secretary shall provide, upon request, a manufacturer with a hearing concerning such a termination, but such hearing shall not delay the effective date of the termination.

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- <u>Id</u>. If there is a termination, the Secretary must notify the states, § 1396r-8(b)(4)(B)(iv), and the Statute requires the Secretary to delay reinstatement of any terminated contract for one calendar quarter absent good cause. 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(4)(C).
- 60. Rebate Agreements are effective only for one year, and "shall be automatically renewed for a period of not less than one year unless terminated under subparagraph (B)." 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8(b)(4)(A).
- 61. While the Rebate Agreement does not address remedies for breach of contract, it specifies that it shall be construed under federal common law, and states that nothing in it shall be construed as a waiver of any legal right of the Secretary or the manufacturer under state or federal law. Specifically, it provides that: "The Rebate Agreement shall be construed in accordance with federal common law and ambiguities shall be interpreted in the manner which best effectuates the statutory scheme."

BAXTER KNEW IT'S CONDUCT WAS ILLEGAL

- 62. Before she was silenced by her superior, Ms. Sun made clear to Baxter executives Poulios, Bradley, O'Hara, Guihinn and others that Baxter should not use the spread as the incentive for selling its products. the spread was too great, that the prices reported upon which AWP was calculated should be reduced, and that the discounts offered by the Volume Committed Contracts were illegal.
- 63. Larry Guihinn, Baxter BioScience's President clearly understood the legal ramifications of the misconduct alleged herein. At a meeting to discuss the pricing of Advate in the late spring or early summer of 2003, Guihinn warned that Baxter would get in trouble if the

government were ever to see the margin analysis memo analyzing Baxter's pricing for all of its pharmaceutical, hematological, and biological products. Park promised Guihinn that the memorandum would not be attached to any emails, and that hard copies of the memorandum would be destroyed. This meeting was attended by Michael Bald-rige, Baxter's Director of Planning, Bradley, Guihinn, Park, Poulios, and Ms. Sun, among others.

64. In July 2003, after the Advate Pricing Meeting, Ms. Sun gave the Park team extensive written materials on the government's prosecution of TAP for falsification of Lupron's AWP, and the \$355 million False Claims Act settlement paid by AstraZeneca for Lupron's competing product, Zoladex. Guihinn told Ms. Sun point blank, that "your job is to keep me out of jail." When Poulios reported this to Park, Mike Baldridge, and Karen Chung (Associate Director of Medical Outcomes Research & Economics), Park, Baldridge, and Chung joked that they would not go to jail because they were ignorant of these practices.

COUNT I

SUBMISSION OF FALSE FEDERAL FALSE CLAIMS BY FALSIFYING PRICE INFORMATION

- 65. Relators repeat and reallege each allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 64 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 66. This is a *qui tam* civil action brought by Linnette Sun, Greg Hamilton and the government of the United States to recover treble damages and civil penalties under 31 U.S.C. §3729(a) of the False Claims Act.

- 67. Baxter violated 31 U.S.C. §3729(a) by conspiring, to present and by causing false claims to be present, used and then presented to the United States Government in connection with its fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 68. The United States Government, by and through CMS, DHHS, RRB, OPM, and possibly other Federal agencies, and unaware of Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices, paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in connection therewith.
- 69. Had the United States Government known that Baxter was violating federal laws, it would not have paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in connection with Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 70. As a result of Baxter's violations of 31 U.S.C. §3729(a), the United States has been damaged in an amount in the millions of dollars, exclusive of interest.
- 71. Relators Sun and Hamilton are private persons with direct and independent knowledge of the allegations of this Complaint, who have brought this action pursuant to §3730(b) on behalf of themselves and the United States Government.

COUNT II

VIOLATION OF THE FALSE CLAIMS ACT THROUGH STARK ACT VIOLATIONS

72. Relators repeat and reallege each allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 64 above as though fully set forth herein.

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- 73. This is a *qui tam* civil action brought by Linnette Sun, Greg Hamilton and the government of the United States to recover treble damages and civil penalties under 31 U.S.C. §3729(a) of the False Claims Act.
- 74. Baxter violated 31 U.S.C. §3729(a) by conspiring, to present and by causing false claims to be present, used and then presented to the United States Government in connection with its fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 75. The Stark Act II, 42 U.S.C.. §1395nn (a)(1), a civil penalty provision, provides that if a Physician has a financial relationship with an entity,
 - (A) the physician may not make a referral to the entity for the furnishing of designated health services for which payment otherwise may be made under this subchapter, and the entity may not present or cause to be presented a claim under this subchapter or bill to any individual, third party payor, or other entity for designated health services furnished pursuant to a referral prohibited under subparagraph (A).

U.S.C.A. §1395nn(a)(1).

- 76. The term "financial relationship" under the Stark Act includes compensation arrangements between a physician and an entity. See 42 U.S.C.A. §1395nn (a)(2)(B).
- 77. The term "designated health services" under the Stark Act includes clinical laboratory services, outpatient prescription drugs, and inpatient and outpatient hospital services. See 42 U.S.C.A. §1395nn (h)(6).
- 78. Baxter violated 42 U.S.C.A. §1395nn(a) when it knowingly and willfully entered into arrangements in which providers were offered discounts based on their ability to move market share within their institutions, pursuant to Volume Committed Contracts.

- 79. Although "safe harbor" regulations exist to protect certain relatively innocuous and even beneficial commercial arrangements, no such provision protects the discounts made by Baxter pursuant to its fraudulent schemes. The discounts by Baxter in this case were made for the sole purpose of increasing Baxter's profits at the expense of patients, it's competitors, and the federal and state governments. Baxter targeted those providers based on the volume and value of referrals they could make.
- 80. 38 U.S.C.A. § 8126, and the regulations based thereon, and contracts signed with Baxter by the federal programs listed herein below require that when drug manufacturers furnish their prescription products to Federal agencies, such as the Veterans' Administration, Public Health Service, including the Indian Health Service, and the Department of Defense, they must furnish them at the "best price."
- 81. Had the United States Government known that Baxter was violating federal laws, including the Anti-Kickback provisions, the Stark Act, and the best pricing requirements, it would not have paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in connection with Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 82. As a result of Baxter's violations of 31 U.S.C. §3729(a), the United States Government has been damaged in an amount in the millions of dollars, exclusive of interest.
- 83. Relators Sun and Hamilton are private persons with direct and independent knowledge of the allegations of this Complaint, who have brought this action pursuant to §3730(b) on behalf of themselves and the United States Government. As a result of Baxter's violations of 31 U.S.C. §3729(a), the United States Government has been damaged in an amount in the millions of dollars, exclusive of interest.

COUNT III

VIOLATION OF THE FALSE CLAIMS ACT THROUGH BEST PRICE VIOLATIONS

- 84. Relators repeat and reallege each allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 64 above as though fully set forth herein.
- 85. In engaging in the fraudulent and illegal practices cited herein, including but not limited to the false reporting of WAC, and the "Volume Committed Contracts," Baxter knowingly failed and refused to furnish its products to the Federal agencies at the best price, in violation of 38 U.S.C.A. § 8126, as these same discounts and rebates were not passed on to the Federal agencies.
- 86. Compliance with applicable Medicare, Medicaid, best pricing requirements, and various other federal and state laws was an implied, and upon information and belief, also an express condition of payment of claims submitted to the United States Government by health care providers and third party payers in connection with Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 87. As a result of Baxter's violations of 31 U.S.C. §3729(a), the United States has been damaged in an amount in the millions of dollars, exclusive of interest.
- 88. Relators Sun and Hamilton are private persons with direct and independent knowledge of the allegations of this Complaint, who have brought this action pursuant to §3730(b) on behalf of themselves and the United States Government. As a result of Baxter's violations of 31 U.S.C. §3729(a), the United States Government has been damaged in an amount in the millions of dollars, exclusive of interest.

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COUNT IV

RETALIATION IN VIOLATION OF 31 U.S.C. §3730(h)

- 89. Relator Linnette Sun repeats and repleads and incorporate by reference hereineach and every one of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1-64, inclusive, as though fully set forth herein.
- 90. Ms. Sun was retaliated against and fired from her employment at Baxter in direct retaliation for her efforts to investigate the false claims described hereinabove, her efforts to develop information which would be used in the prosecution of a false claims action, and her resistance to the submission of false claims. Defendant sued herein carried out these acts in violation of 31 U.S.C. §3730(h).
- 91. As a direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts by Defendant, Ms. Sun has suffered and will continue to suffer substantial losses in earnings and other employment benefits, along with other incidental and consequential damages and losses, all in an amount to be proven at time of trial.
- 92. As a further direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts of Defendant sued herein, Ms. Sun has suffered and will continue to suffer mental pain and anguish, all other damage in an amount to be proven at time of trial.
- 93. As a further direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts by said

 Defendant, Ms. Sun has incurred attorneys' fees and other consequential damages in an amount to
 be determined, for which Ms. Sun claims a sum to be established according to proof.

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COUNT V

RETALIATION IN VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §12653

- 94. Relator Linnette Sun repeats and repleads and incorporate by reference herein each and every one of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1-64, inclusive, as though fully set forth herein.
- 95. Ms. Sun was retaliated against and fired from her employment at Baxter in direct retaliation for her efforts to investigate the false claims described hereinabove, her efforts to develop information which would be used in the prosecution of a false claims action, and her resistance to the submission of false claims to the State of California. Defendant sued herein carried out these acts in violation of California Government Code §12653.
- 96. As a direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts by Defendant, Ms. Sun has suffered and will continue to suffer substantial losses in earnings and other employment benefits, along with other incidental and consequential damages and losses, all in an amount to be proven at time of trial.
- 97. As a further direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts of Defendant sued herein, Ms. Sun has suffered and will continue to suffer mental pain and anguish, all other damage in an amount to be proven at time of trial.
- 98. As a further direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts by said

 Defendant, Ms. Sun has incurred attorneys' fees and other consequential damages in an amount to
 be determined, for which Ms. Sun claims a sum to be established according to proof.

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COUNT VI

RETALIATION IN VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POLICY

- 100. Relator Linnette Sun repeats and repleads and incorporate by reference herein each and every one of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1-64, inclusive, as though fully set forth herein.
- against and fired from her employment at Baxter in direct retaliation for her efforts to investigate the false claims described hereinabove, which are violations of state and federal laws. Defendant sued herein fired Ms. Sun in violation of California's public policy.
- 102. As a direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts by Defendant, Ms. Sun has suffered and will continue to suffer substantial losses in earnings and other employment benefits, along with other incidental and consequential damages and losses, all in an amount to be proven at time of trial.
- 103. As a further direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts of Defendant sued herein, Ms. Sun has suffered and will continue to suffer mental pain and anguish, all other damage in an amount to be proven at time of trial.

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104. As a further direct, foreseeable, and legal result of said wrongful acts by said

Defendant, Ms. Sun has incurred attorneys' fees and other consequential damages in an amount to
be determined, for which Ms. Sun claims a sum to be established according to proof.

COUNT VII

MASSACHUSETTS FALSE CLAIMS ACT

- 105. Relators repeat and reallege each allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 64 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 106. This is a *qui tam* action brought by Linnette Sun, Greg Hamilton and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for treble damages and penalties under Massachusetts False Claims Act, Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. 12 § 5(A) *et seq*.
- knowingly presents, or causes to be presented, a false or fraudulent claim for payment or approval; (2) knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used, a false record or statement to obtain payment or approval of a claim by the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof; (3) conspires to defraud the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof through the allowance or payment of a fraudulent claim; is a beneficiary of an inadvertent submission of a false claim to the common wealth or political subdivision thereof, subsequently discovers the falsity of the claim, and fails to disclose the false claim to the commonwealth or political subdivision within a reasonable time after discovery of the false claim.
- 108. Baxter violated Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. 12 § 5B and knowingly caused hundreds of thousands of false claims to be made, used and presented to the Commonwealth of

Massachusetts from at least 1998 to the present by its reporting of false pricing statements regarding its products.

- 109. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by and through the Massachusetts

 Medicaid program and other state health care programs, and unaware of Baxter's fraudulent and
 illegal practices, paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in
 connection therewith.
- 110. Honest reporting of WAC data and provision of the best price to Medicaid was an implied, and upon information and belief, also an express condition of payment of claims submitted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 111. Had the Commonwealth of Massachusetts known that Baxter was violating the federal and state laws cited herein, it would not have paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in connection with Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 112. As a result of Baxter's violations of Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. 12 § 5B, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has been damaged in an amount to be determined, exclusive of interest.
- 113. Relators Sun and Hamilton are a private persons with direct and independent knowledge of the allegations of this Complaint, who have brought this action pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. 12 § 5(c)(2) on behalf of himself and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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COUNT VIII

VIOLATION OF THE CALIFORNIA FALSE CLAIMS ACT

- 114. Relators repeat and reallege each allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 64 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 115. This is a *qui tam* action brought by Linnette Sun, Greg Hamilton and the STATE of California to recover treble damages and civil penalties under the California False Claims Act, Cal. Gov't. Code § 12650 *et seq*.
 - 116. Cal. Gov't Code § 12651(a) provides liability for any person who-
 - (1) knowingly presents, or causes to be presented, to an officer or employee of the state or of any political division thereof, a false claim for payment or approval;
 - (2) knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used a false record or statement to get a false claim paid or approved by the state or by any political subdivision;
 - (3) conspires to defraud the state or any political subdivision by getting a false claim allowed or paid by the state or by any political subdivision.
 - (8) is a beneficiary of an inadvertent submission of a false claim to the state or a political subdivision, subsequently discovers the falsity of the claim, and fails to disclose the false claim to the state or the political subdivision within a reasonable time after discovery of the false claim.
- 117. Baxter violated California laws by knowingly allowing tens of thousands of false claims to be submitted and presented to the State of California from at least 1998 to the present by its reporting of false pricing statements regarding its products.

- 118. The State of California, by and through the California Medicaid program and other state health care programs, and unaware of Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices, paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in connection therewith.
- 119. Honest reporting of WAC data and provision of the best price to Medi-Cal was an implied, and upon information and belief, also an express condition of payment of claims submitted to the State of California in connection with Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 120. Had the State of California known that Baxter was violating the federal and state laws cited herein, it would not have paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in connection with Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices.
- 121. As a result of Baxter's violations of Cal. Gov't Code §12651(a), the State of California has been damaged in an amount to be determined exclusive of interest.
- 122. Relators Sun and Hamilton are persons with direct and independent knowledge of the allegations of this Complaint, who have brought this action pursuant to Cal. Gov't Code § 12652(c) on behalf of himself and the State of California.
- 123. This Court is requested to accept pendant jurisdiction over this related state claim as it is predicated upon the same exact facts as the federal claim, and merely asserts separate damages to the State of California in the operation of its Medicaid program.

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COUNT IX

HAWAII FALSE CLAIMS ACT

- 124. Relators repeat and reallege each allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 64 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 125. This is a *qui tam* action brought by Linnette Sun, Greg Hamilton and the State of Hawaii to recover treble damages and civil penalties under the Hawaii False Claims Act, Haw. Rev. Stat. § 661-21 et seq.
 - 126. Haw. Rev. Stat. § 661-21(a) provides liability for any person who-
 - (1) knowingly presents, or causes to be presented, to an officer or employee of the state a false or fraudulent claim for payment or approval;
 - (2) knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used, a false record or statement to get a false or fraudulent claim paid or approved by the state;
 - (3) conspires to defraud the state by getting a false or fraudulent claim allowed or paid; or
 - (8) is a beneficiary of an inadvertent submission of a false claim to the State, who subsequently discovers the falsity of the claim, and fails to disclose the false claim to the State within a reasonable time after discovery of the false claim.
- 127. Baxter violated Haw. Rev. Stat. §661-21(a) and knowingly caused tens of thousands of false claims to be made, used and presented to the State of Hawaii from at least 1998 to the present by its violation of federal and state laws.
- 128. The State of Hawaii, by and through the Hawaii Medicaid program and other state health care programs, and unaware of Baxter's fraudulent and illegal practices, paid the claims submitted by health care providers and third party payers in connection therewith.